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IMPERIAL AIRWAYS' MISHAP AT BANGKOK

London, To-day.
Imperial Airways flyingboat Carpentaria, carrying mails from Britain to Hong Kong, was damaged in a collision with a Chinese junk while moored in the river at Bangkok.
It is learned from Imperial Airways in London that the Carpentaria will be taken out of the normal service pending repairs.
—Reuter.

JAPANESE LET GAMBLING MONOPOLY IN CANTON

Canton, To-day.

After keen competition, a big Chinese syndicate, known as the Yip Shing Company, is officially announced to have succeeded in securing the gambling monopoly for Canton, bids for which were recently invited.

The amount offered is not divulged.

In accordance with new regulations issued by the "Peace Preservation Committee," gambling houses will in future only be allowed to operate in five special districts, including Honam Island and Taiho Road, scene of one of the city's largest loot markets.
—Reuter.

FRENCH STEAMER SUNK; RUMOUR

Paris, To-day.

Yesterday afternoon, rumours were in circulation that a French merchant steamer, loaded with food-stuffs, had been sunk off the Republican Spanish coast by Nationalist vessels.

In the neighbourhood of the Quai d'Orsay, however, it was stated last night that nothing was

Hendaye, To-day.
According to reports from various sources, the struggle in Madrid last night had not yet reached a decision.

The wireless station in Madrid, announces that the Council is master of the situation and urges the population to remain calm.

After the last wireless warning of the Defence Committee, General Miajas' troops began a ruthless attack on positions held by the Communists, using hand grenades, machine guns and field artillery against public buildings still in the hands of the Communists.

The main scenes of conflict are the railway station, the Communist quarter of Cuatro Caminos, where the Community House of the Communists was attacked by a squadron of tanks. Fighting is also still going on in Albacete Street and in the vicinity of the Hippodrome on the main road from Madrid to Cuenca, as well as in the Jalama and north-eastern suburbs of Madrid.

CUENCA ROAD RESISTANCE

General Miaja's troops have found all progress on the Cuenca road stopped by the determined resistance of the Communist First Army Corps which it had been reported, had surrendered to the Military Junta. A wireless bulletin announces that the Levante Army Corps and other units of the Republican Army are being rushed to Madrid to suppress the revolt.

It is impossible at the moment to

give precise details about the loss of life caused by this violent street-fighting but the number of dead and wounded is estimated at several hundreds.

DEAD LYING IN STREET

Eyewitnesses report that in some places every inch of ground is being fought for. The dead are left lying in the streets which are being swept from end to end by intermittent machine-gun fire.

Late last evening, the Military Junta announced over the radio that it had obtained control of the situation on the Murcia—Almeria—Jean—and Ciudad roads.

All afternoon and evening, Nationalist planes were flying over

TOKYO PRESS CALLS FOR ANTI-BRITISH RETALIATION

Tokyo, To-day.

The Japanese press, obviously inspired, criticises the British currency loan to China.

The "Hochi Shimbun" declares that the Cabinet held an emergency session in the Diet building yesterday and discussed the Japanese Government's attitude.

The newspaper understands that the opinion is held that Japan should make a strong protest against this unfriendly action.

Japan should also take positive counter-measures against the new Anglo-Chinese agreement, and if Britain continues such unfriendly acts, Japan should "resort to some retaliatory action with regard to British rights and interests in China." — Reuter.

Madrid, contenting themselves with making observations.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINA OFFERS SETTLEMENT AREA TO JEWS

Shanghai, To-day.

The leading member of the Chinese Propaganda Department and the biographer of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Hollington Tong, in a message addressed to the Shanghai Jewish Committee from Chungking, has made the proposal that Jews should settle in the Northwest and Southwest Provinces of China.

About four to five thousand Jews would be affected.

The Shanghai Jewish Committee has not yet answered the proposal.
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known of the matter. — Trans-Ocean.

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When Austria Died

Vienna, Mar. 10, 1938.

A GREY, foggy morning dawned, not very cool one of those days in March when winter has already spent his strength, but spring is not yet strong enough to take his place. A day which all those who witnessed it will not forget for the rest of their lives.

A casual observer, who went for a stroll through the streets of Vienna in the early hours of March 10th, 1938, certainly would have noticed that something unusual had happened was about to happen: Hundreds of thousands of leaflets scattered in the streets and carried all over the town by a strong wind, bearing the announcement made public the night before by the Federal Chancellor von Schuschnigg in Innsbruck, that a popular referendum was to be held on Sunday, March 13th—ominous date—for an Independent, German, Christian and Social Austria.

Groups of municipal workmen were busy painting government slogans on the pavements, on shop-windows and housewalls; flags appeared in the windows, and large streamers with political catchwords were being fixed to lampposts and avenue trees.

Small groups of the Patriotic Youth-Movement were marching through the streets, giving cheers for the Chancellor, who was to return from Innsbruck by the 8 a.m. express.

Not the slightest opposition was to be felt, most of the people in the streets giving the government—salute and joining in the cheers for Schuschnigg, when the singing youths passed by. Generally the opinion expressed was, that the success of the vote was a foregone conclusion.

BETWEEN 8,000 and 10,000 people filled the square in front of the station, when the train with the Chancellor arrived. Apparently a conference took place in the station-building immediately upon the arrival, for nearly 20 minutes elapsed before Chancellor Schuschnigg stepped into the car waiting outside. Looking very serious and very pale, he scarcely glanced at the crowd and his attitude contrasted strangely with the delirious enthusiasm of the masses who hailed the "saviour of Austria." At a quick pace the car proceeded down the Mariahilfer Street, across the Ring, passed the Houses of Parliament and the Burg Theatre straight into the Federal Chancellery on the Ballhaus Square.

Wherever the Chancellor passed the people gave him a tremendous ovation.

It was the last time the Viennese saw Curt von Schuschnigg. Nothing particular happened for the next few hours.

Apparently the National-Socialist party had not yet recovered from the surprise caused by the completely unexpected move of the Chancellor and waited for further orders from Berlin. But towards 11 o'clock a.m. small groups of Nazi demonstrators began to make their first appearance on the Ringstrasse, mostly consisting of youths in their teens. They shouted Nazi slogans: *Ein Reich, ein Volk, ein Fuehrer* (one empire, one people, one leader) *Heil Hitler* and so on, but were hopelessly outclassed, both in num-

bers and vocal-power, by the government supporters, recruited from people of all walks of life.

Few police were to be seen, but it was evident that they were under orders from the Minister of the Interior, Seyss-Inquart, not to interfere with the Nazi demonstrations, for they made no arrests and usually only intervened when Nazis were in danger of being beaten up.

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BY noon, the Opera-Crossing and the adjacent part of the Kaerntner-Strasse were blocked by a solid crowd of at least 5,000 people, being constantly kept in movement by the police, who gave an increasing impression of nervousness and lack of co-operation. Police-officers questioned, openly admitted that the orders they had received from various sides in the last few hours were widely contradictory. But still the Viennese spirit, cheerful even at such occasions, prevented serious outbreaks, although the tension made itself increasingly felt.

Up to this time only youths of both sexes between 15 and 20 had



Von Schuschnigg, photographed with Mussolini, on whose aid he banked, in vain, to prevent the Anschluss.

been sent into action by the Nazis, but now older men in black top-boots (indicating their membership of the Black Guards) and other wearing white peasant stockings (the "uniform" of the Storm Troops) made their appearance. But shortly afterwards the balance was once more decidedly turned in favour of the government supporters, for hundreds of Catholic and Heimwehr students suddenly emerged from sidestreets and in one single rush drove the Nazis across the Ring into the streets of the 4. District. For the first and last time in this remarkable day even the police went in action on the side of the Patriots.

About 2 o'clock p.m. the whole of the 1. District and the Ring was cleared of Nazi demonstrators, leaving the Patriots in full control of the situation.

But not for long.

For reasons unknown, the stu-

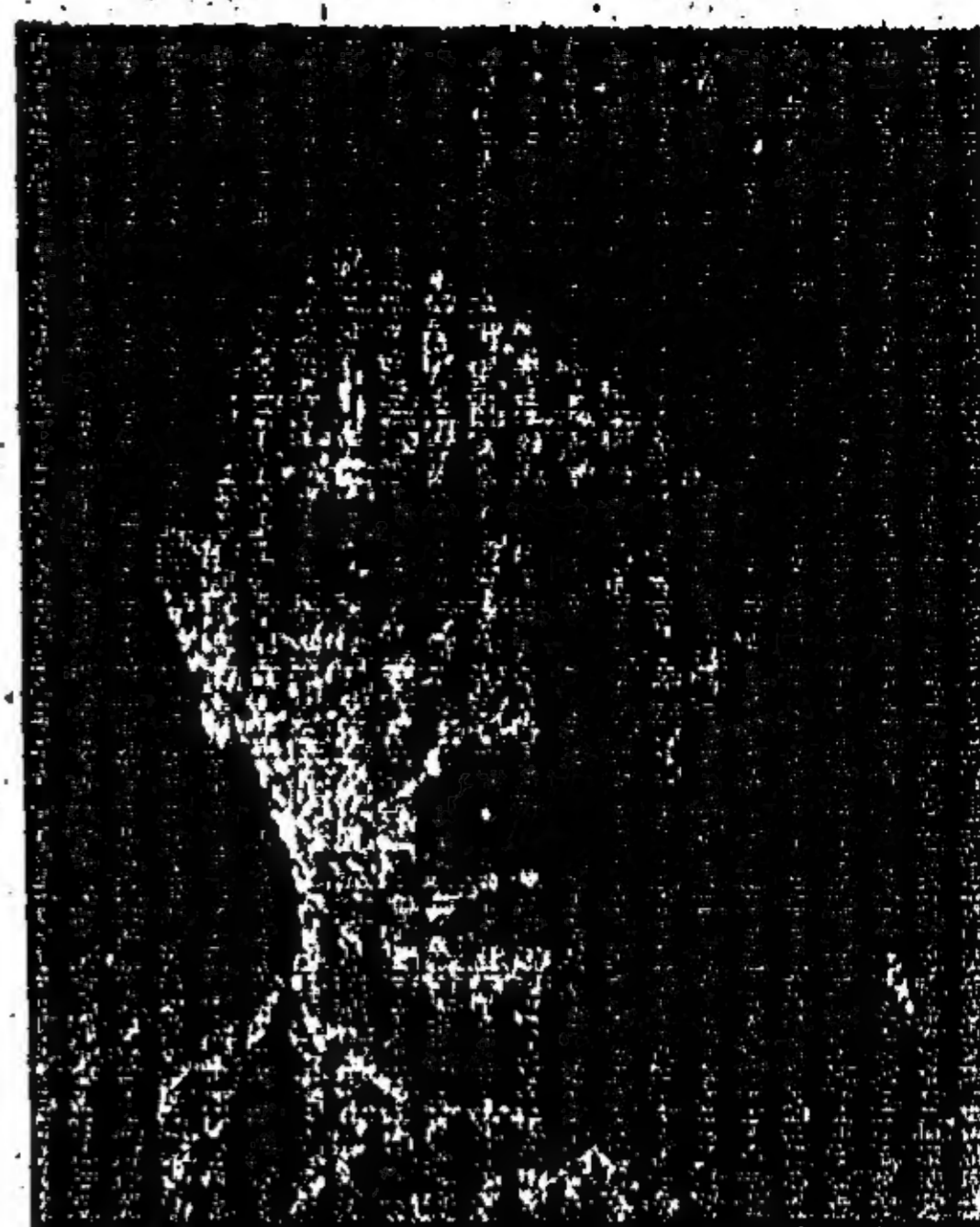
dents were suddenly withdrawn and a quarter of an hour later the Nazis were back in full strength. In order to prevent clashes, the police now drew a cordon exactly in the middle of the Kaerntner Street, leaving half of the road-bed and one pavement to each of the opposing parties. Certainly the clearest possible indication of the fact that the police regarded the government supporters and the party advocating the overthrow of the legal power as virtually equal before the law.

This plain hint was understood by both sides. Whereas the government supporters—their numbers had considerably shrunk, for most of the respectable citizens had gone home for lunch—were completely bewildered, the rejoicing of the Nazis knew no limits.

In the meantime shopowners began to barricade their windows. Women who constituted an equally strong percentage of the demonstrators on both sides, withdrew from the front-ranks, the noise of the shouts and vituperations hurled across the street increased, if possible, in strength. The first stones were thrown and the noise of smashed windows could be heard from all sides.

Then deep silence for a few seconds as though in a church . . . Then the inevitable: With one sudden push the National-Socialists broke through the ranks of the police who scarcely offered resistance, and clashed head on with the nearest group of patriots. A short free-for-all battle ensued, fists, batons, attache-cases (a most formidable weapon when filled with books or stones) umbrellas, leather-belts etc. being freely used and soon superior numbers made themselves felt. The Patriots were slowly pressed back to St. Stephen's Square, when they rallied for a last stand.

An old gentleman, in bowler-hat and furcoat, apparently a former Imperial Army officer, rushing forward and brandishing an Austrian



HERR HITLER

flag, which had been torn down from a shop window, led the last charge. He and the men who followed him, scarcely a hundred strong all in all, recovered nearly the whole of the Kaerntner Strasse against overwhelming odds. But near the church of the Capucines they were met by the police. A short struggle and the flag was seized. This was the end and from now on the Nazis ruled the streets. It was at 3.45 p.m. on March the 10th, 1938.

Moments like this one should be remembered, because they repeat themselves only once in a thousand years. In this moment the federal state of Austria died, the spiritual

By A Refugee Now In Hong Kong

heir of the old Austrian empire, which in its turn was the continuation of the Holy Roman Empire, founded by Charlemagne in 800 A.D. And the unknown men who took part in the last charge under an Austrian flag, have their place assured in history, together with Wallenstein, Eugen of Savoy, Laudon, Archduke Charles, Radetzky and all those millions and millions of unknown soldiers, who through the ages fought for Austria.

Not on March the 11th, when Schuschnigg surrendered, and not on March the 13th, when Hitler declared the Anschluss, did Austria really die.

This secular event took place on March 10th, 1938, at 3.45 p.m., not far from the Church of the Capucines, in whose tombs ten Roman-German and two Austrian emperors lie buried.

MEXICAN OIL NEGOTIATIONS

MEXICO CITY, TO-DAY.
MR. DONALD RICHBERG, REPRESENTING THE FOREIGN OIL COMPANIES IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT, HAS ISSUED A FURTHER STATEMENT AFTER HIS SECOND CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT CARDENAS, WHICH LASTED TWO HOURS.

Mr. Richberg said that several different methods of arriving at a solution of the expropriated oilfields dispute were discussed.

He would again meet President Cardenas at 8 o'clock this evening after meeting Senor Najera, Mexican Ambassador in Washington, in the morning.

Yesterday's discussion was continued in the same amicable spirit, and "I feel that further progress was made,"—Reuter.

BRITAIN IN A PRE-FASCIST ERA

London, To-day.

Sir Stafford Cripps, who was recently expelled from the Labour Party for pressing a campaign for a united front of anti-Government forces, at a meeting in Liverpool last night, criticised the political apathy of the public.

The danger to English democracy, declared Sir Stafford, came less from abroad than from within.

Political disinterestedness and a feeling that it was impossible to make the present Chamberlain travesty of democratic government resign had already led to pre-Fascist conditions.

Unless the government in Britain is changed soon, he believed, English democracy would be near doom. — Trans-Ocean.

NAVY TO PROTECT BRITISH SHIPS

Even Inside Territorial Waters

London, To-day.

The British Government's attitude to General Franco's blockade of the Spanish coast was outlined by the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, replying in the debate on Spain in the House of Lords yesterday.

Lord Halifax said that the text of the Note announcing the blockade, of which the Government had advised all British shipping, contained no indication of any action against shipping outside territorial waters, and the Government assumed such action was not contemplated.

He wished to make it plain that if action outside territorial waters was taken, His Majesty's Government would be obliged to resist such action similarly as had been done in the past.

He must also make it perfectly clear that the Government "would regard as a very serious matter" the sinking of British merchantmen even within territorial waters, especially if due warning was not

ANOTHER WAY OF PUTTING IT

Shanghai, To-day.
Commenting on the British loan to China, a prominent member of the Japanese Residents' Association declared: "Japan is engaged in stopping an imperialist invasion of China! Immediately Japan ceased her campaign, Britain would step in and extend her influence!"
"Japan has no reason to fear, however. Britain will never be in a position to send armies to the Far East,"—Our Own Correspondent.

given and adequate steps taken for the safety of the crew.

NAVY WARNED

His Majesty's ships had been instructed to give all necessary protection to vessels which might be the objects of such attacks and to retaliate even inside territorial waters against any submarine taking such indefensible action. — Reuter.

I.R.A. TRIAL AT BOW STREET: 23 COMMITTED

London, To-day.

Twenty-two men and one girl were committed to trial at Old Bailey at Bow Street police court yesterday on charges under the Explosives Substances Act.

Among the accused, who were apprehended in London and various parts of the country following the recent bomb outrages, were eighteen charged specifically with conspiring to use explosives.

Two defendants at Manchester yesterday were discharged owing to insufficient evidence against them. — Reuter.

The Navy Estimates will be taken in the House of Commons next Wednesday, says a British Wireless message from London.



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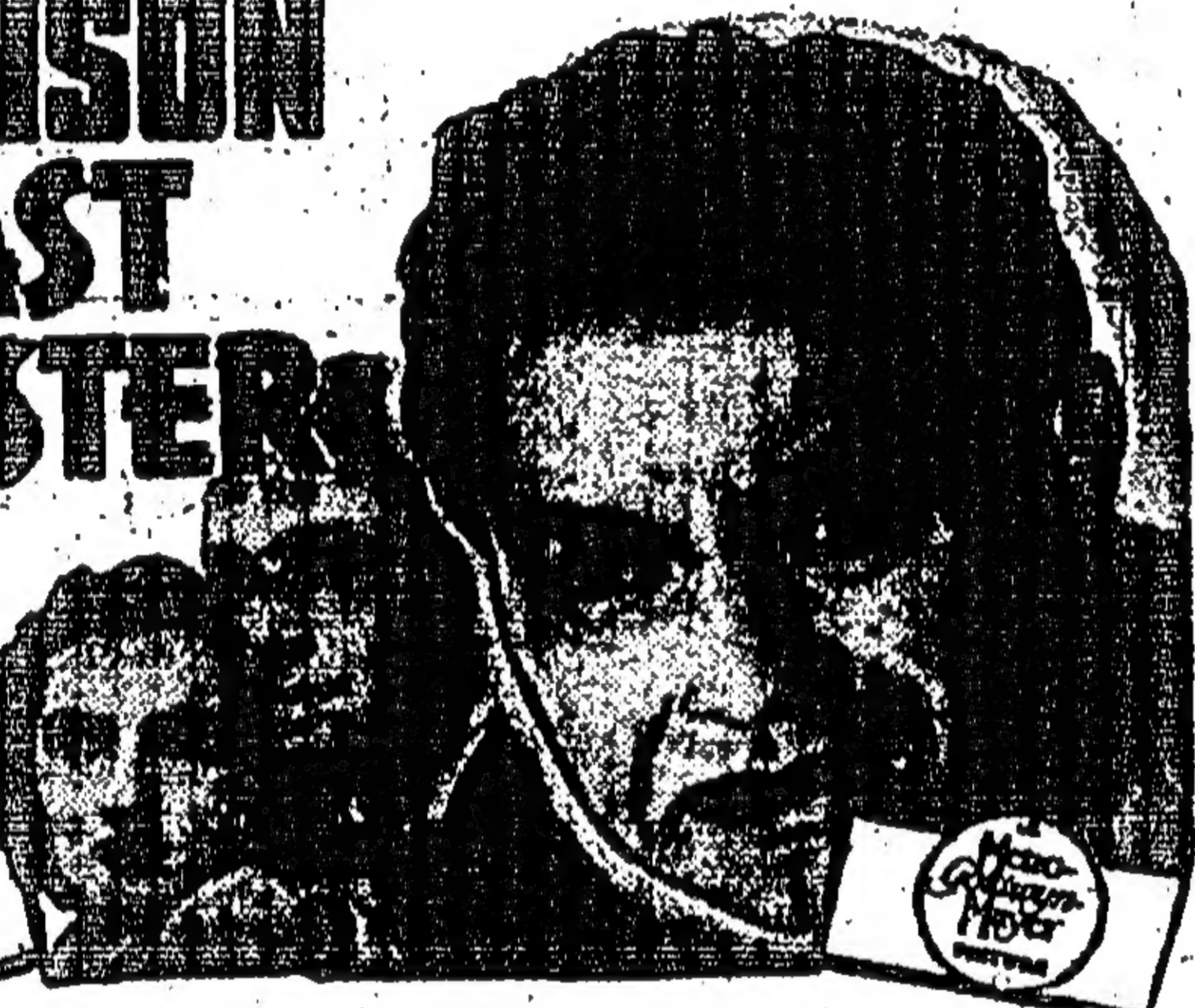
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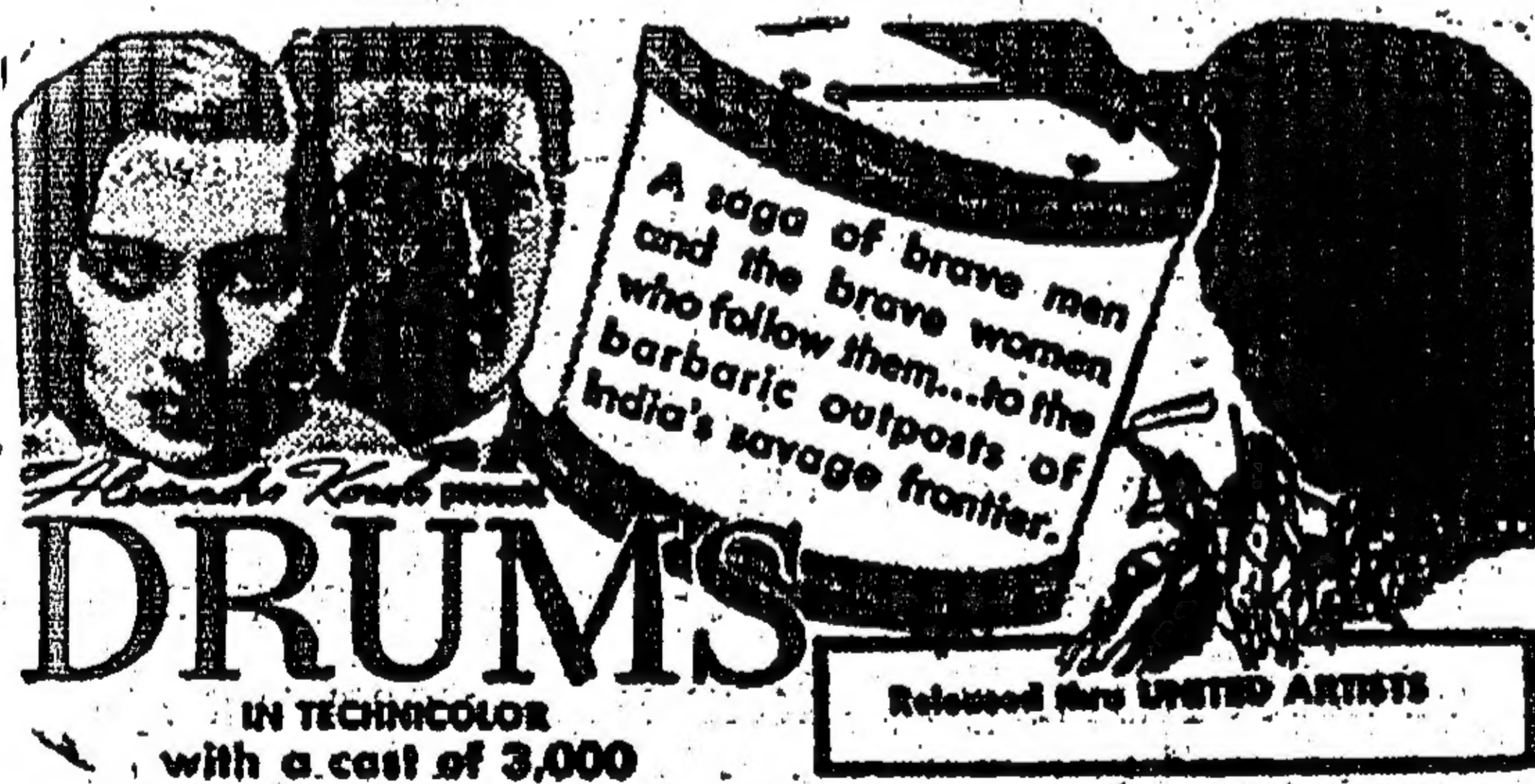
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IN PRAGUE**

Prague, To-day.

According to an announcement by the official Refugee Bureau, there are 150,000 persons registered as refugees in Prague alone. Some 16,000 are emigrants from other countries, mainly from Germany and Austria.

About 82,000, or more than half, are unemployed.

Statistics further reveal that in Bohemia and Moravia only 50,000 refugees are receiving support and in Slovakia only 4,000 of a total of 12,000 refugees.

Concerning immigration from Czechoslovakia, 8,000 persons nearly all Jews have left the country since October 1938.

Besides the 16,000 foreign emigrants who will not be allowed to take up a permanent residence, there are 11,000, other persons waiting for an opportunity to leave the country. — Trans-Ocean.

**CHINESE ORDER
SIAN CIVILIANS TO
EVACUATE**

Shanghai, To-day.

Repeated bomb attacks on Sian, capital of Shensi Province, have induced the Chinese authorities to order the partial evacuation of this unfortified town, which is not protected against air-raids.

Tens of thousands of Chinese families have already begun to leave the town. The provincial authorities have taken all possible measures to protect themselves against the repeated air-raids. — Trans-Ocean.

**COTTON INDUSTRY
BILL APPROVED**

London, To-day.

The President of the Board of Trade announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the Government's decision to proceed with the Bill embodying proposals for reorganisation of the cotton industry of the joint committee of cotton trade organisations, the draft of which was the subject of a recent ballot in the industry.

The Bill, which will follow closely the draft published last year, will be introduced in the Commons next week. — British Wireless.

COMING WEDDING

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Vadim Bonch, engineer, of No. 4, Fort Street, North Point, and Miss Lydia Prillipuchoff Hutt, of No. 49, Kimberley Road; and of Seaman Allan Robert Croft, of H.M.S. Rainbow, and Miss Lau Shan-wah, of No. 325, Hennessy Road, Wanchai, were announced this morning.

**CONSERVATIVE
H.D. WANT
ELECTION**

Conservative Party chiefs are pressing Mr. Chamberlain for an early General Election. Some suggest this month or just after the Budget in April.

A number of Ministers are known to be in favour of an appeal to the country, but there has been no ministerial conference on the matter.

**GREATER
OPTIMISM ON
ARAB SIDE**

London, To-day.

Members of the British Palestine Delegation had further informal discussions yesterday with the representatives of Egypt, Saudi-Arabia and Iraq.

These discussions served to clarify individual points while the Government is occupied with drafting of the final British proposals.

There is greater optimism on the Arab side now than a few days ago.

Ali Maher Pasha, chief Egyptian delegate, considered that after the last Arab-Jewish deliberations last Saturday there was nothing to be gained by remaining longer in London. Nevertheless he has since decided to prolong his stay. — Trans-Ocean.

**JAPANESE DRIVE
IN KANSU
FORESHADOWED**

Tokyo, To-day.

The continuous air-attacks on Sian and other places on the so-called "Red Road" Sian-Lanchow — the water transport route for China out of Soviet-Russia — is discussed at length by the "Japan Times."

The "Japan Times" writes that it seems almost certain that these air attacks will be followed by military operations with the object of obtaining a control over the whole of North-West China, which would become possible with the domination of the Lunghai railway. — Trans-Ocean.

REQUIEM MASS

Paris, To-day.

A solemn requiem mass was celebrated in the Orthodox Russian Church at Cannes yesterday for the Rumanian Premier, Patriarch Miron Cristea, who died at Cannes suddenly on Monday.

The remains of the Patriarch left Cannes for Rumania yesterday afternoon. — Trans-Ocean.

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TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR CLAIM FOLLOWS CAVALIER DISASTER

New York, To-day.

Suit claiming \$200,000 for the loss of her husband in the "Cavalier" flyingboat disaster on January 21, has been filed against Imperial Airways in the Federal Court by Mrs. Katherine Miller, of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Her husband, Donald Walters Miller, was a passenger on the flyingboat and was drowned when the giant craft alighted in a rough sea after complete failure of all her four engines.

Compensation is also demanded for the loss of baggage owned by Mrs. Miller, who was rescued. Mrs. Miller values her luggage at \$1,109. Her lawyer declared yesterday: "Purpose of the suit is to fix responsibility for the accident." — Reuter.

Mrs. Miller's lawyer recently approached the United States Attorney in Brooklyn with the suggestion that Government proceedings should be instituted against Imperial Airways.

LAWYER'S CONTENTION

The lawyer declared that the minimum standards of American safety regulations would have been sufficient to prevent the alleged freezing of the plane's carburettor system, and that the pilot delayed landing after motor trouble had become apparent.

The lawyer added that his client's object in bringing these facts to the attention of the Government was to attempt to abolish the double standard of safety for foreign and home planes.

The "Cavalier" disaster occurred between New York and Bermuda.

B.B.C. FOREIGN LANGUAGE TALKS

London, To-day.

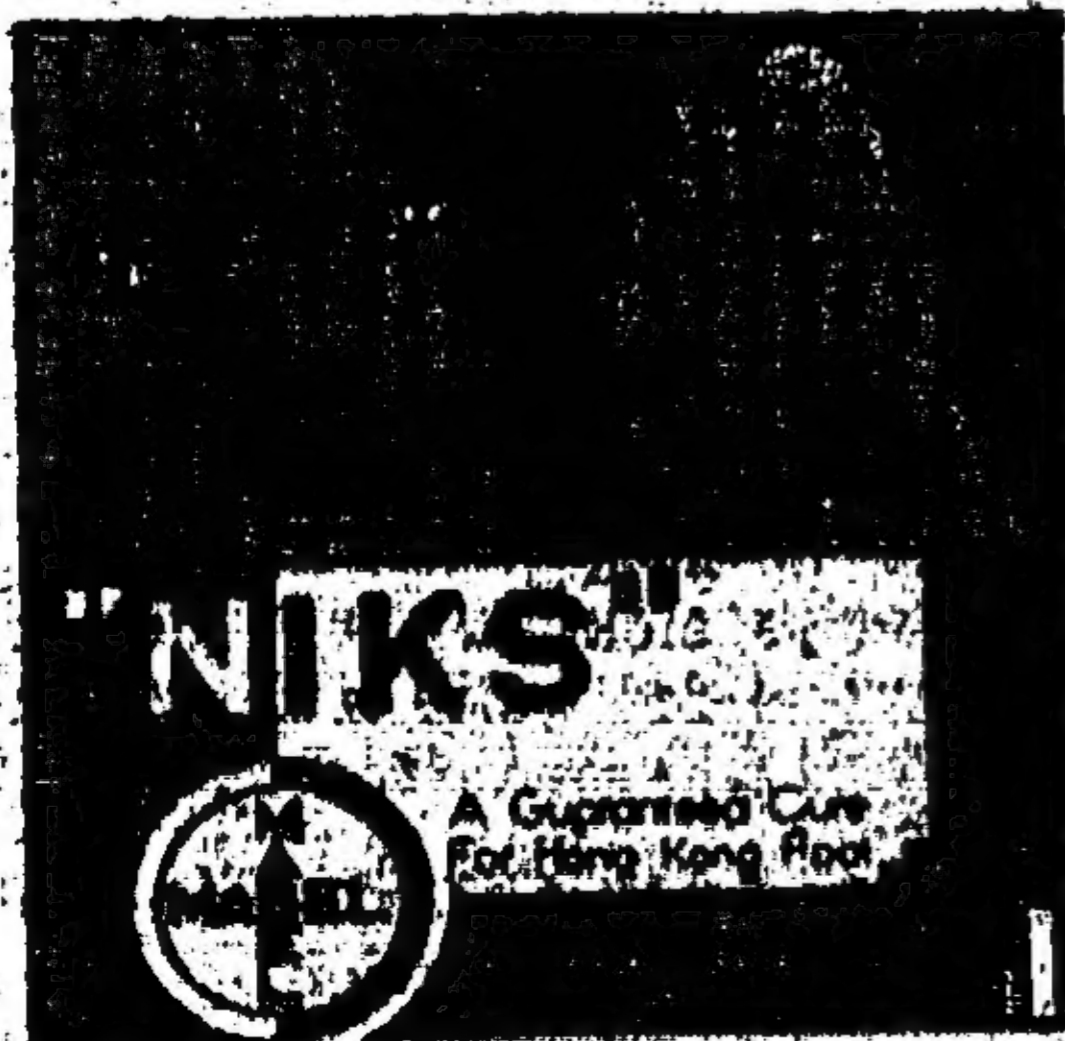
In a reference to foreign language news broadcasts yesterday, Sir Stephen Talbot, public relations officer at the B.B.C., said it spoke well for the good sense and understanding of millions of listeners whose programmes were interrupted to enable these broadcasts to go out that there had been no complaint or protest on their part.

The whole country had approved this attempt by the B.B.C. to promote the cause of international understanding and peace. — British Wireless.

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GEN. FRANCO'S ASSURANCES ACCEPTED AT FACE VALUE

London, To-day.

In the course of his speech in the House of Lords yesterday, replying in the debate on Spain raised by Lord Snell, who criticised the Government's policy as having favoured General Franco throughout, the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, referred to suggestions made by Lord Snell and others that the assurances given by General Franco as to the future independence of Spain were worthless.

Lord Halifax said that everyone in Great Britain attached importance to maintenance of the independence of Spanish territory.

His Majesty's Government took the view that the assurances on this point had been given in good faith and would be fulfilled in good faith.

"I do not hesitate to say," added Lord Halifax, "that if the contrary ever proves to be the case, then a very serious situation will arise."

PROUD RACE

But the Spanish people were a proud race which would not mortgage the independence or integrity of their country to any foreign power.

The Foreign Secretary also announced in connection with Spanish refugee camps in south-eastern France that he had just heard the French Government would welcome the assistance of the British in helping to maintain refugees through the agency of the British Red Cross Society, and that the British Government would accordingly make a substantial grant to the Society for that purpose. — British Wireless.

SOOCHOW UNIV. TO BE HANDED BACK

Chungking, To-day.

After occupying them for 17 months, the Japanese have consented to return the Soochow University premises to the University authorities.

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GERMANY MAY CLAIM LARGE ANTARCTIC AREA

Berlin, To-day.

The German Antarctic Expedition 1938-9, under the celebrated Polar explorer and aviator, Captain Ritscher, is now on its way home and passed Capetown a few days ago.

Favoured by the weather, the expedition mapped more than 350,000 square kilometres of the Antarctic continent.

Broad surfaces, mountains and chains of peaks over 3,000 metres high with the central massif over 4,000 metres high were photographed stereophotogrammetrically during extensive exploratory air flights, using the newest German instruments.

Among other operations were 47 radio sounding ascents up to altitudes of 28,000 metres. The research work was completed without mishap.

Captain Ritscher has reported by wireless that everybody on board is well and in the best of spirits.

The motorship "Schwabenland" which alternately with the "Westfalen" acts as an air base for the Lufthansa air service over the South-Atlantic was chartered for this expedition.

She sailed from Hamburg last December with a crew of 80 including experts and explorers as well as a number of airmen and mechanics. She struck anchor off the coast of a completely unexplored part of the Antarctic continent in the Southern Atlantic ocean.

On January 14, at the time when the "Schwabenland" was on her way, Norway laid claim by public edict to the bulk of the Antarctic continent, including that territory which was the scene of the German expedition.

This claim was based upon exploratory activity by Norway in the Antarctic. Judging from documentary matter available in Germany, Norwegian explorers have never despite their highly meritorious achievements in Antarctic exploration, flown over the coast and the mainland of the territory discovered by the Germans.

Certain it is that they have never set foot on it!

According to the wireless messages received up to now, the territory includes the coast between the 5th degree west and 15th degree east longitude and the territory from the coast inland south to the polar ice cap.

Further details will not be available until the "Schwabenland" returns to Hamburg.

Not until then will Germany decide on the course to take to secure its claim to the results of the expedition.—Trans-Ocean.

ODD GERMAN COMMENT ON BELISHA SPEECH

Berlin, To-day.

An inspired statement on the House of Commons speech by Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Secretary for War, declares that Germany is less interested in the facts of British rearmament than in the mentality which appeared to express itself by the speech.

It is regarded as peculiar by the Nazis that Britain announces preparations for the transport of 19 divisions to France, "seeing that Germany does not entertain aggressive intentions towards France, nor is France known to have aggressive intentions towards Germany." —Reuter.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA REORGANISING ARMY

Prague, To-day.

Czecho-Slovakia is about to complete the reorganisation of her army.

The plan adopted, according to the newspapers, is to divide the Army into three groups, corresponding with the racial divisions of the federal territory.

This would mean that Slovakia, and possibly Carpatho-Ukraine, would have their own national armies, with retention of the Supreme Command in Prague.

One of the major problems arising out of this reorganisation is that of finding employment for the officers of all ranks who will have to quit the army. It is intended to transfer some to the civil service. Some will be placed in charge of Labour Battalions, while others will attend special courses to be trained for a new vocation. —Trans-Ocean.

DRIZZLE OR RAIN

The Royal Observatory reports that a moderate anticyclone is centred over Japan and is moving slowly eastward. A depression is situated to the east of Shanghai, moving ENE; a line of discontinuity extends from it to the eastern part of the China Sea. The depression over Tongking and Siam has decreased slightly in intensity.

Local forecast:—E. winds, moderate; overcast, misty, occasional drizzle or light rain.

LONG STAY IN HOSPITAL

John Molyneux, 42, seaman, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, with being a vagrant in the Colony.

Det. Sergeant Loughlin said defendant missed his ship last year. He was sick and was detained in hospital for quite a long time. He was discharged from hospital yesterday, but was without employment.

Defendant was committed to the House of Detention.

SEVENTEEN BOMBS HIT AMERICAN MISSION

Vigorous U.S. Protest On Ichang Raids

No Possible Excuse For Any "Mistake"

Shanghai, To-day.

It is learned that during the Japanese bombings of Ichang, 17 bombs were dropped on and around the American Episcopal Church Mission compound in Ichang, totally destroying one residence and damaging three other buildings, including the church. The American staff is safe.

All buildings were clearly marked with American flags.

A message from Ichang states that the United States Consul-General has called on the Japanese Consul-General and lodged a strong protest against the bombing of American property.

The American Consul-General recalled that in June, at the request of the Japanese, full information regarding this property was given to the Japanese. — Reuter.

TWO MORE RAIDS

Ichang, To-day.

Two more severe air raids were staged by Japanese bombers in Ichang yesterday, resulting in tremendous civilian and property losses.

Six bombs were dropped on the American Mission, while seven landed on a foreign residence.

A foreign school was hit by one bomb.

All the foreign property displayed conspicuously flags of their respective nationalities.

Many civilians were killed and wounded, and more than 200 houses were reduced to rubble.

The first attack was conducted by 18 Japanese machines in the morning and the second, by nine, in the afternoon. Bombs were dumped indiscriminately in the heart of the city and in the eastern and southern suburbs. — Central News.

JAPANESE BEING THROWN BACK

Ichang, To-day.

The Japanese in the Chungsiang sector in central Hupeh are being thrown back, according to field despatches.

Following counter-attacks, Japanese troops at Chungsiang have withdrawn to Shakong. Those at Liu-shuikow and Fengloho on the Han River, north of Chungsiang, have retreated to Changshoutien and Changchiatsi.

Japanese units south of Chungsiang have retreated in a southeasterly direction. — Central News.

Kunming, To-day.

The Bank of China is planning to establish sub-offices in various towns along the Yunnan-Burma highway. — Central News.

SHELTERS FOR GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

RAPID PROGRESS IS BEING MADE BY THE OFFICE OF WORKS IN THE FORMIDABLE TASK OF CONVERTING THE BASEMENTS OF 7,000 GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS INTO BOMB-PROOF SHELTERS. ABOUT 2,500 OF THESE BUILDINGS ARE IN LONDON.

Work was begun on the biggest buildings in Whitehall at the end of December. Since then several hundred men have been employed in the basements of the Ministry of Health, Office of Works, Board of Trade, Home Office and Dominion Office, to mention only the largest building.

All the work is being carried out in accordance with the general instructions of the A.R.P. Department, but in view of the exceptional size and weight of the buildings, special precautions have to be taken. High explosive bombs are considered to be the chief menace, and the precautions are being carried out on that basis.

BIG STEEL GIRDERS

Big steel girders are being used in most of the basements, in addition to steel plates, strong timber and reinforced concrete. One of the biggest dangers to be met is a bomb falling in one of the many areas or wells, round which nearly every Whitehall building has been constructed.

In many places brick walls are being raised on the lowest floors facing these wells, which would receive the first shock of blast or splinters.

So extensive are these alterations that they must be regarded as permanent.

Many of the records and files have been removed from London and stored elsewhere. This has left a certain margin of storage space in the basements.

SAFE WORKING QUARTERS

In every Government office shelters are being provided in exact proportion to the number of workers employed. If, as is expected, a big proportion of the Civil Service is evacuated in wartime, these shelters will provide safe work-



Claudette Colbert and Genevieve Tobin seem to be involved in a first-class catfight in this scene from "Zaza," which opens to-morrow at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Herbert Marshall plays the male lead.

KOWLOON TONG "EXPLORER" CAUGHT

A man guilty of one burglary and three robberies since February 14 was this morning charged before Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon.

The man stole three overcoats and a pocket watch from three Cumberland Road residents, and the burglary was committed in Devon Road.

He was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

QUICKNESS OF THE HAND

The frankness of two men concerned in the theft of a signboard caused Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning to say that the case needed their elucidation.

What the Magistrate could not quite grasp was how one accused had passed the signboard to the other without the owner, who was in pursuit seeing the transfer.

Complainant had caught the second man and accused him of stealing.

He took the police to his friend, who immediately confessed.

The Magistrate placed both on a \$10 bonds to be of good behaviour for one year.

ing quarters for such permanent staff as remains.

Plans have been drawn up, it is understood, which would enable certain departments to carry on work from these bomb-proof basements under heavy bombardment.

AZANA WRITING MEMOIRS

San Sebastian, To-day.

Senor Azana succeeded in getting out a considerable amount of important documentary material from Spain on his flight to France, which will most likely serve as illuminating background for memoirs Azana is expected to write.

Azana's secretary, Azorin, is reported to be negotiating with a publisher in America for early publication of these important documents within the scope of Azana's memoirs.

It is declared that the material has been taken to Switzerland. — Trans-Ocean.

WOMEN NOT WANTED HERE

No barmaid has ever stood behind the bar of the Robin Hood Hotel, Altofts, near Normanton (Yorks).

"A pub is a man's place meant for men," says landlord John Sheard, who is sixty-eight. So firm is his conviction on this point that when he leaves the Robin Hood he is going to "look for an old pub where women don't go."

For thirty years before he took over the Robin Hood, which is to be auctioned, Mr. Sheard worked in the coal mines, and he has been landlord twelve years.

"Men come here to get away from women's cackling and to have a quiet talk among themselves," said Mr. Sheard. "If they were women in the parlour they will only stay to have one drink and then go away."

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



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LIM THIAN TET ELIMINATES A. V. GOSANO

Poor Tennis At
H.K.C.C.

(By "REFEREE")

Poor light, an occasional drop of rain and later a swirling breeze provided very poor playing conditions in yesterday's Colony Tennis Championships, most of the matches producing a poor standard of play.

The best match of a mediocre programme was the singles encounter between Lim Thian-tet, of Hong Kong University, and A. V. Gosano, the former Recreio singles champion, which resulted in a very easy victory for the former.

Gosano, who has not played tennis for several months, proved no match for his much younger opponent, whose sizzling forehand drives and sound all-court game carried him into the next round within half an hour.

PUT KNEE OUT

E. E. Story had very bad luck against Wong Shui-wing and was forced to concede the match not long after its commencement, putting his knee out in attempting to reach a ball.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AT A GLANCE

The following were yesterday's results in the Colony and Club Lawn Tennis Singles Championships:—

OPEN SINGLES

Wei Chung beat J. R. Turner 6—1, 6—0.
J. T. Gould beat H. Y. Ho 9—7, 6—1.
Wong Shui-wing beat E. E. Story (retired hurt).
E. C. Fincher beat Kwok Hing-chung 6—1, 6—1.
Lim Thian-tet beat A. V. Gosano 6—2, 6—0.

OPEN DOUBLES

G. C. Burnett and S. A. Gray beat H. P. Ong and S. H. Ling 7—5, 6—8, 6—3.
Leo Wai-tong and Iu Tak-cheuk beat Luk Chum-cheung and Iu Tak-lam 7—5, 6—3.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

T. C. Monaghan beat Lt. N. D'Oyly 6—3, 6—2.

Teddy Fincher was fully extended by Kwok Hing-chung and had to fight hard for his every point against a player whose heavy slices and occasional drop-shots had him running for most of the match.

The University pair, H. P. Ong and S. H. Ling fully extended S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett in their doubles encounter which went to three sets before the latter (K.C.C.) pair emerged winners.

BAD FOOTFAULTING

Glaringly footfaulting, the 'Varsity pair would have been pulled up repeatedly had an umpire officiated. Ong delighted with clever cross volleying, while Ling was seen to best advantage in midcourt where he tucked away many a point with a smashing return.

Gray was very inconsistent and particularly ragged overhead, while Burnett's volleying was very poor. Both improved in the last set when the 'Varsity pair, greatly troubled by a swirling breeze, failed to control the ball's flight.

Leo Wai-tong and Iu Tak-cheuk, the latter a left-handed player, had little difficulty in disposing of Iu Tak-lam and Luk Chum-cheung, although the scores suggest a stern struggle.

Continued Growth Of Insurance

The Directors of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company report increases in business in force, income and assets at the fifty-second annual meeting.

Although the disturbed conditions during the year were reflected by the fact that the new business, including deferred annuities, of \$11,837,823, was 4¼ per cent. less than that of the previous year, the business in force increased by \$3,365,173, to \$117,721,733. Total income was \$7,132,138, an increase of \$524,852, over the corresponding figure for 1937. Payments to policy-holders and to beneficiaries totalled \$3,073,623, of which amount \$2,142,491 was paid to living policy-holders and \$931,132 to beneficiaries under death claims.

The assets increased by \$2,554,615 during the year and amount to \$34,391,383. The gross rate of interest earned was 4.58 per cent. After making provision for all liabilities, including policy and annuity reserves of \$29,019,043, an amount of \$172,374 was added to the contingency reserve and surplus, bringing the contingency reserve to \$493,151 and the surplus to \$879,825.

The Head Office for South China is situated at Shell House, Hong Kong, under the Manageship of Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell, with branches in Canton and Macao.

LORD ZETLAND AT PALACE

London, To-day.

Lord Zetland, Secretary for India, was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace last evening.

Earlier in the day the King received Lord Portal, who has been appointed Chairman of the Corporation which is to be responsible for holiday camps in connection with the Government's evacuation scheme, and Air-Marshal Sir William Mitchell on his appointment as Commander-in-Chief of the R.A.F. in the Middle East.—Reuter.

GERMAN PROTEST TO JAPANESE

Chungking, To-day.

The German Consulate-General in Shanghai has filed a protest with the Japanese authorities over the seizure of the No. 1 and No. 3 Da Sang Cotton Mills in Nantung-chow and Haimen, Kiangsu, for billeting troops, a Shanghai report states.

Indemnity for damage is demanded.—Central News.

CHINA MAIL

FRIDAY SUPPLEMENT, MARCH 10, 1939

ABE AND THE GANGSTERS

LISTEN, fellers; I am Abe Hymie Finkelstein an' I work for Rudy Scrout who is the guy with the delicatessen on Forty-fifth and Myrtle.

Maybe you know guys who have been the victims of these gangsters and maybe you know guys who was also the victim of the police department; but I am a guy who has been welled like you never saw by the gangsters and the police department an' everybody else round here.

An' if you say why I say it is for the reason that I am a smart guy with poisonality an' because other guys is jealous of me because the dames fall for me in a big way. If this ain't the case then I am an Indian princess with a coupla wooden legs.

One of these days if some gangsters will take hold of Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan an' will put him in a sack and go throw him in the lake then I will start believin' that there is some justice around this burg. Also if some gorilla like Dillinger will proceed to shoot up that blonde dame what took advantage of my sex-attraction then I will believe some more in Father Christmas which is a thing that I do not believe in anyhow.

If I was not a big guy like I am I would be altogether broke up about this business; but you do not have to worry about Abe Finkelstein thank you very much because I have already got back

will never be able to refuse you nothin' even if I don't like you.

So I says what an' she says that if I will take this big black violin case down to Giekel's speakeasy and give it to some guy called Gatty then this guy will give me a hundred bucks.

I say O.K. sister an' I start off for Giekel's. But on the way I begin to think what is in this case because it is heavy like some dead guy was in it, so I drop in at my room on Myrtle an' I open it up an' inside there is a Thompson machine gun and six pistols all loaded up like you never saw.

Now it looks as if this dame is tryin' to slip some business over on me, but I remember that I am a smart guy with ideas so I rush around to Krimp's shootin' gallery an' I do some business an' I rush back an' do some more business with these guns an' then I go down to Giekel's an' wait for this guy Gatty.

Presently he comes along an' he is some tough egg an' I hand him the case an' I say what about the hundred buck an' he sticks one of these guns in my ribs an' informs me that if I do not get in the car that is parked outside he is goin' to blow the top of my head into Queen's County.

So I do not argue with this guy but I do what he says an' we go

Shombergs waxworks an' a lot of other things. He then says that I should go home an' await further doings.

So I go back home an' one hour later there is a special edition which says that Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan has arrested seven members of the Stripy Gang single-handed, an' that they was all armed with machine guns an' cannons like you never saw, an' that he is about the bravest guy since Christopher Columbine.

This looks plenty good to me so I get myself around to the precinct an' I see Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan an' I ask him about the hundred dollars an' all the other things an' he says go jump in the lake an' if he has any more of this stuff outa me he will have me arrested under the Mann Act, the Baumes Act, the Vagrants Act and for tryin' to blackmail a police captain.

I am now feelin' not so hot an' I tell him that he is a big cheese an' that he would not have arrested these guys if I had not tipped him off that their guns was only loaded up with blanks, an' I also say that I will take slip them the works about this business.

He says oh yeah he will show me something an' he telephones through to the newspaper office an' says that if some lunatic named Abe Finkelstein ever shows up he should be held for the police. He then calls in some other guys an' has them throw me into the can on a charge of throwin' a hamburger at an old lady on Forty-second street last Tuesday. By which you will see that this Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan is a four-flushin' twicer an' that he is frammin' me like I was a big ninny.

So next morning when they let me out of the can I start to use my brains some more an' I ask some guy in the precinct if the gangsters who have been taken by O'Hagan have got themselves a lawyer an' he says yes.

So I get around to this lawyer an' I tell him that if he will give me a hundred dollars I will splutter a bibful that will astound the world. He says O.K. an' so I tell him the story about the blanks an' that these gorillas was not really armed with lethal weapons after which this lawyer laughs his head off an' says that he will make O'Hagan withdraw the charge or look like a monkey to the whole world.

He then says I should go home an' that if I will get around to this office the next morning he will hand me a hundred bucks, an' about two hours afterwards there is another special edition that says that Captain Dooley O'Hagan has made one big mistake an' that the gang is not the Stripy Gang at all but a meetin' of a commercial travellers shoot-in' club, an' they have all been released, by which it looks like this lawyer has given Captain Dooley O'Hagan the works.

Now I am feelin' very good because I have taught Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan that he cannot make a sucker out of Abe Finkelstein an' next morning I get around to the lawyer's an' I ask for the hundred bucks an' he gives a merry laugh an' tells me

to go jump in the lake, an' that if I try any of that blackmatlin' stuff around there he will have me pinched for drin' hayricks. He then calls in some other guy who throws me out on the sidewalk.

I am now feelin' that I am goin' to be very sick any time now because of the deal I am gettin' around here from one an' all. Because all the time it looks like I am going to get some money an' all I get is a lot of right royal raspberries from the whole world. But even at this time my brains begins to work some more an' I get myself a tram an' I go to the basement where the gangsters are operatin'.

And they are all there an' I say howdy boys an' I tell them that I was the big guy who got them out of a helluva jam because I knew that Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan was after them an' that was why I loaded up them guns with blanks.

The big gorilla then says this mug ain't so bad an' they whip around an' they give me a hundred dollars an' a highball.

I now begin to feel good some more because I have now got one hundred smackers an' I have also got the low-down on Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan who I reckon is feelin' like a bolled pork chop in a snow-storm, an' I get myself around to my place on Myrtle-street an' as I am goin' up the stairs I hear that there is some goil in my room an' she is singin' I Can't Give You Anything But Love Baby so I guess that this is probably some dame who has fallen for me in a big way.

However I am wrong some more because it is the blonde gangster goil who asked me to carry the guns an' before I can do anything she pulls out a rod and she tells me that she has got word from the gangsters that they have handed me out a hundred smackers an' do I think that I am goin' to get away with that stuff when I am nothin' but a coppers nose who has been givin' information

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Short
Story

By Peter
Cheyney

my noive and am at this time makin' a big play for Lilly Scapalensi who is not so easy to look at but who has some nice prospects even if her father does say that he would rather see her buried alive with snakes rather than his girl should be married to me. Even this pa is jealous of my sex-attraction.

Well, it is lovely night like you never saw an' I am goin' home feelin' like a million dollars. I am wearing a hot pertater suit—twenty dollars with two pair of pants—an' a plaid four-in-hand with a white hornberg and a walk-in stick with a tomato in ivory on the top.

I know I am lookin' good which makes me indifferent to the giant raspberry which the newsboy on the corner hands out to me because I know that this guy is also jealous of my appeal.

Suddenly I see the blonde who comes into the delicatessen for caviare on Saturday nights. This blonde is the berries an' when she sees me she stops dead like she was suddenly paralysed.

This girl is just like a film star except that she ain't had her face lifted an' I have often thought that she is a classy dame only I do not know if she has got prospects an' a goil without prospects is no goil for Abe.

So she comes up to me an' she says Abe I am in a very bad jam an' you must help me out because you are the sort of a guy like I could fall for some more if I got to know you good, an' if you will do sumptin for me I will see that you get a hundred dollars an' I

off to some basement dump where there is a lot of thugs sittin' around drinkin' rye like you never saw an' they tear open the case an' take out the guns. Then the head gorilla says what shall we go with this mug boys because he might start shootin' his mouth to the cops an' they all say bump him off Joe, but before they have finished sayin' it I am out of a door I seen at the back an' am scrammin' down the street like some mad racehorses.

When I have got myself away I think that this is a bum trick for the blonde to play on me an' I start to use my brains once again so I get into a taxi-cab after I have got the money from Rachel Moshinski who happens to be passin' an' I go to the thirteenth precinct an' I see Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan an' I tell him the whole works an' he is very excited an' says that this is the Stripy Gang an' that my information is so hot that maybe he will make me a detective or a police commissioner or something for this.

I say wait a minute an' I ask him if he would like to be the big guy who took the Stripy Gang singlehanded an' I tell him how I have took all the ball ammunition out of them guns an' loaded them up with blanks what I got from Krimp's shootin' gallery.

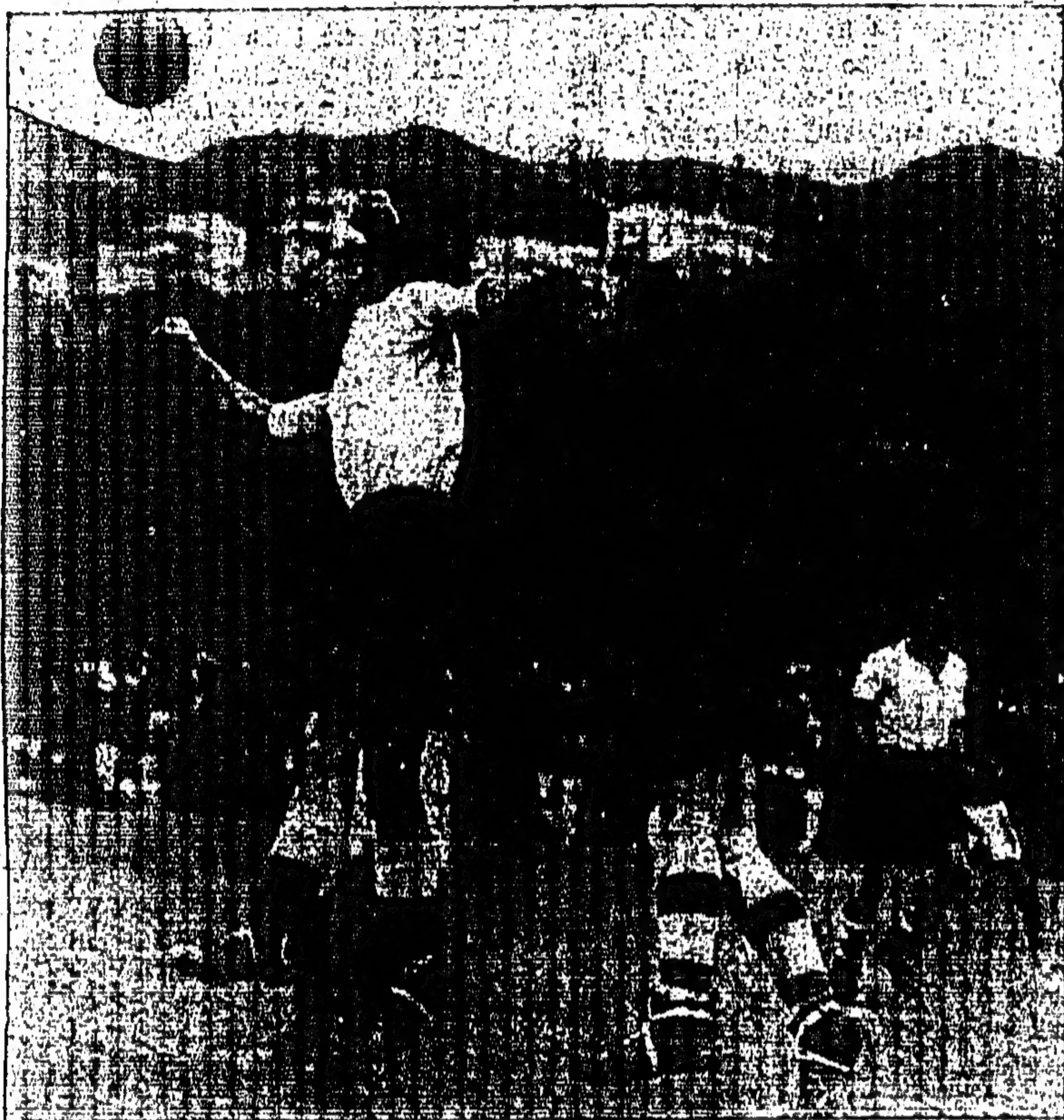
He then informs me that I am a credit to the United States an' that by the time he is through with me I will probably be chief of the G men, an' that he is also goin' to give me one hundred dollars reward, a free pass for

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Coutlas, the Association's goal-keeper, punching the ball off Blackburn's head during the Governor's Cup game last Sunday.



An action picture taken during the Governor's Cup game on Sunday. Blackburn, (in white), the Association's right back, and Hau Ching-to, the Federation's left wing, can be seen in the picture.



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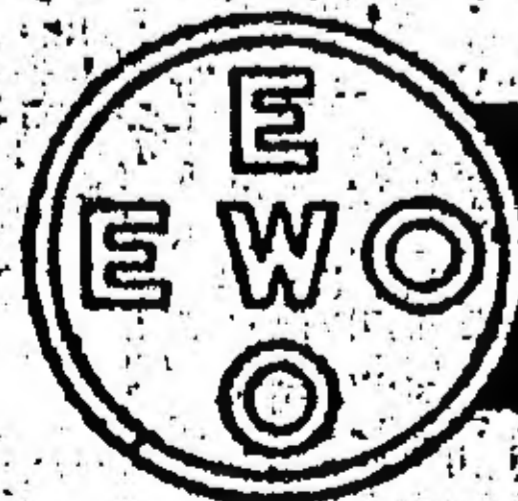
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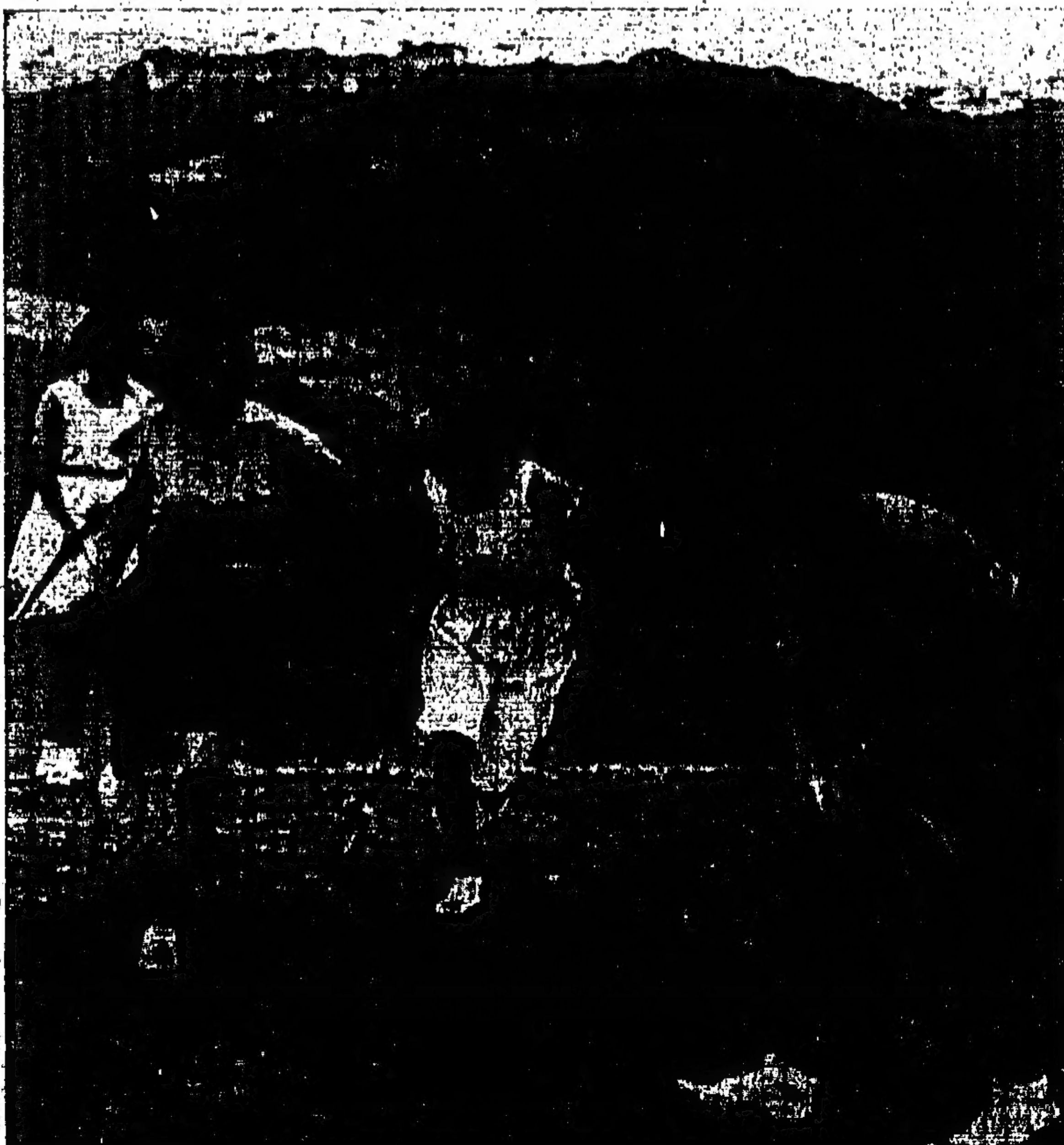


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CABBAGES AND KINGS

THE POOR

Lady in the bus: "Conductah, do you stop at the Hotel Magnifique?"

Conductor: "No, lidy, I can't afford nuffink like that."

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RATS GALORE

Overheard in a railway compartment on the London and North-Eastern Railway during the international crisis.

A passenger to his neighbour: "I am filling up every crack and crevice in all my rooms."

The neighbour: "Oh, have you got mice?"

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CAUTION

A Scotsman and an American were fishing, and they agreed that the first to land a fish should stand the other a drink.

After a while the Scotsman triumphantly pointed to the water and informed his companion that a fish was on the end of the American's line.

After the drink had been consumed the Scotsman said: "Well, I suppose I'd better bait hook now."

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"Sorry, No Got!"

A friend of mine who had attended the opera, rang up a music shop—he had tried several others—the next morning.

"I want selections from 'Les Cloches de Corneville,'" he ordered, and waited.

There came incoherent mummings in the colloquial.

"You know," repeated my friend, "'Cloches de Corneville,' 'Bells of Corneville,' selections."

Some more incoherent mummings, then a flash of intelligence seems to have broken forth.

"O, you wanchee 'Carnival of Cannibals'?"

"No!" thundered the customer.

"O yes, I savae now, 'Cannibals of Carnival'."

"No! no!" groaned the gentleman in this side of the phone. "Les Cloches—bells, bells, of Corneville."

"Oh!" echoed the voice with more intelligent assurance—

"Hell, hell, Cannibals of Carnival Selections. Sorry, no got!"—T.S.

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Heard in Court

Man: I have no question to ask my wife except how is she since she left me?

Motorist: Considering I did not get hurt and I knocked down three concrete posts, I should say I must have used my head.

Motorist: It was on Monday morning and I was going to work, so I had no reason to speed.

Solicitor at Highgate: Did your husband tell you he had been summoned?

Women: Yes, I remember it well because my husband made me and the children laugh by showing us how the policeman looked.



Eva Churn (left) and June Hall of St. Andrew's Ladies, snapped by our cameraman.

"Snow White"

If only as evidence of the progress of education, says a contributor, I record this "spot of bother," which, I am assured, occurred in a class-room.

Teacher (losing patience): "Oh, come out here, Dopey!"

Angel Child: "Okay, Snow White."

* * *

Conceited

"Your cousin cut me at the dance, last night. Doesn't he think I'm his equal—is that it?"

"Why, the conceited ape! Of course you are."

Rose to the Occasion

Bandits imprisoned Rose Ortiz, aged 18, the pitcher of a team of girl baseball players, in a barn near Guana Juste City, Mexico. Putting her sporting skill to good use, Rose hurled bricks at the bandits . . . then she escaped.

In Mexico, where ancient snows

Reflect the sun's departing rose—

And its arriving—
The notion that a girl should be

Demure, defenceless, sweet and wee,
Is fairly thriving.



Hsui King-seng, the Federation's left half, heading the ball in the Governor's Cup game last Sunday.

TIES AND SHOES

The customer breezed into the haberdashery shop and picked up a tie.

"How much?" he asked.
"Ten and sixpence," replied the assistant.

"Ten and sixpence!" echoed the customer. "Why, I could buy a pair of shoes for that money."

"No doubt," agreed the assistant. "But wouldn't you look funny wearing a pair of shoes round your neck?"

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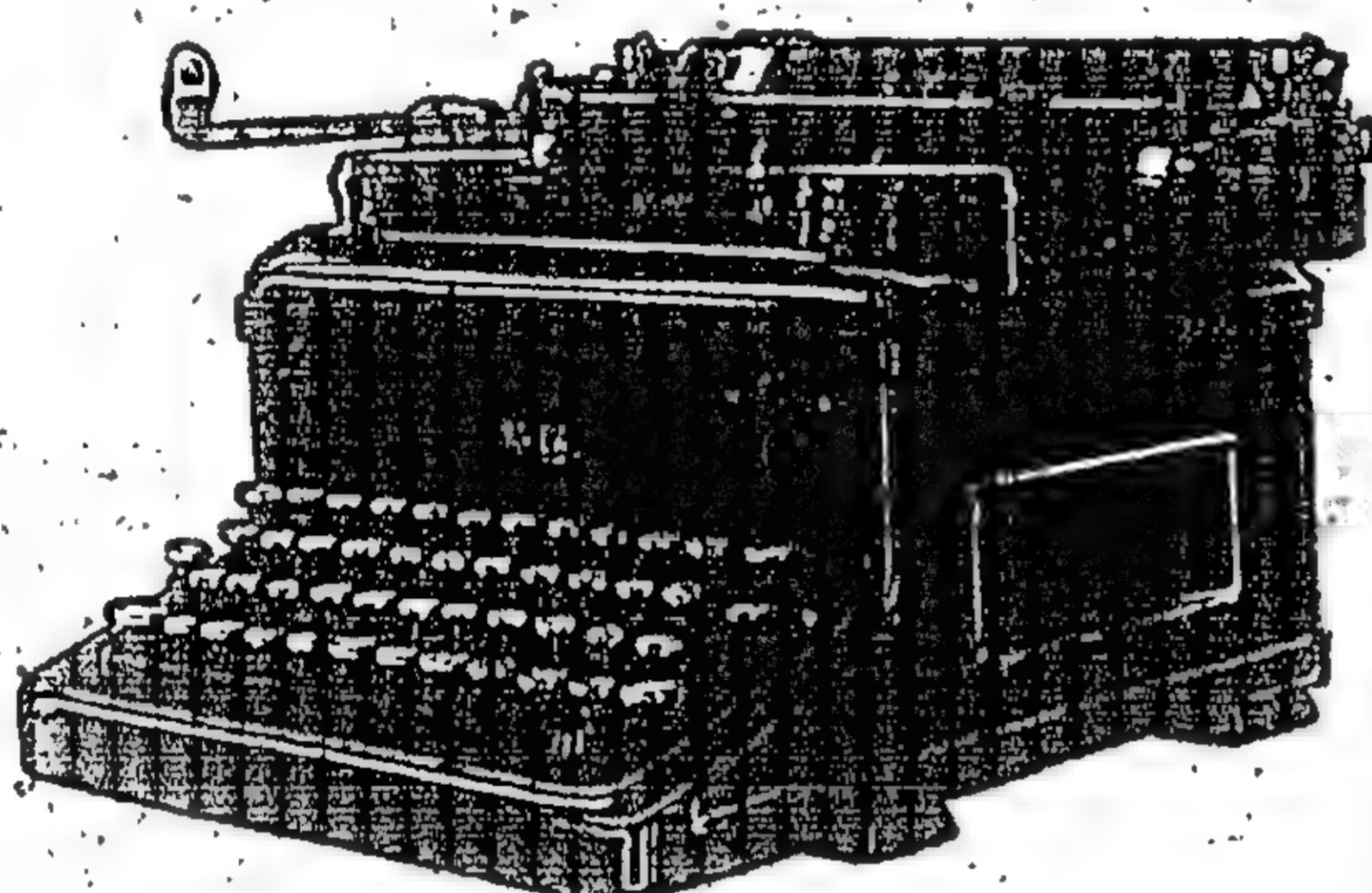
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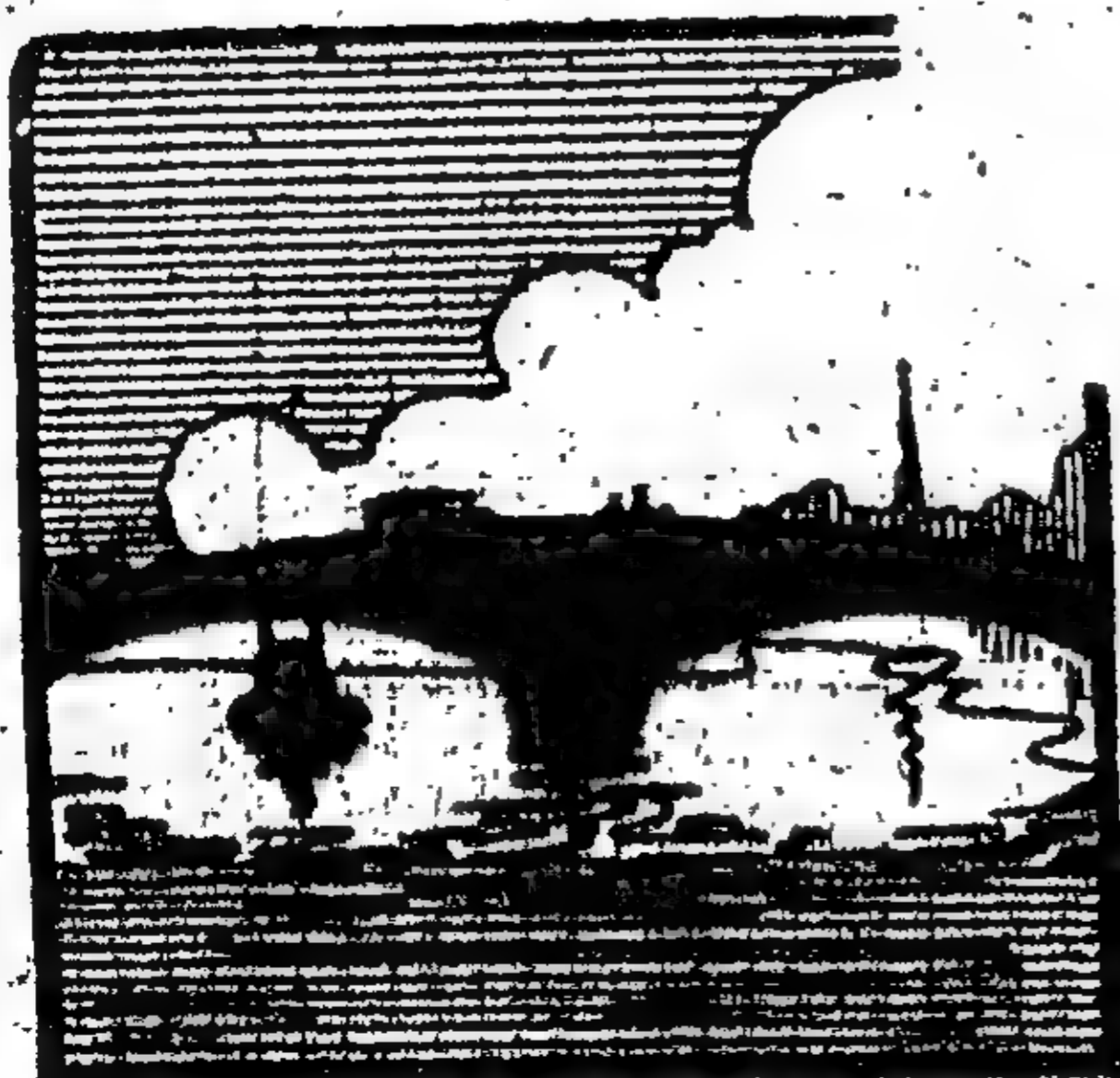
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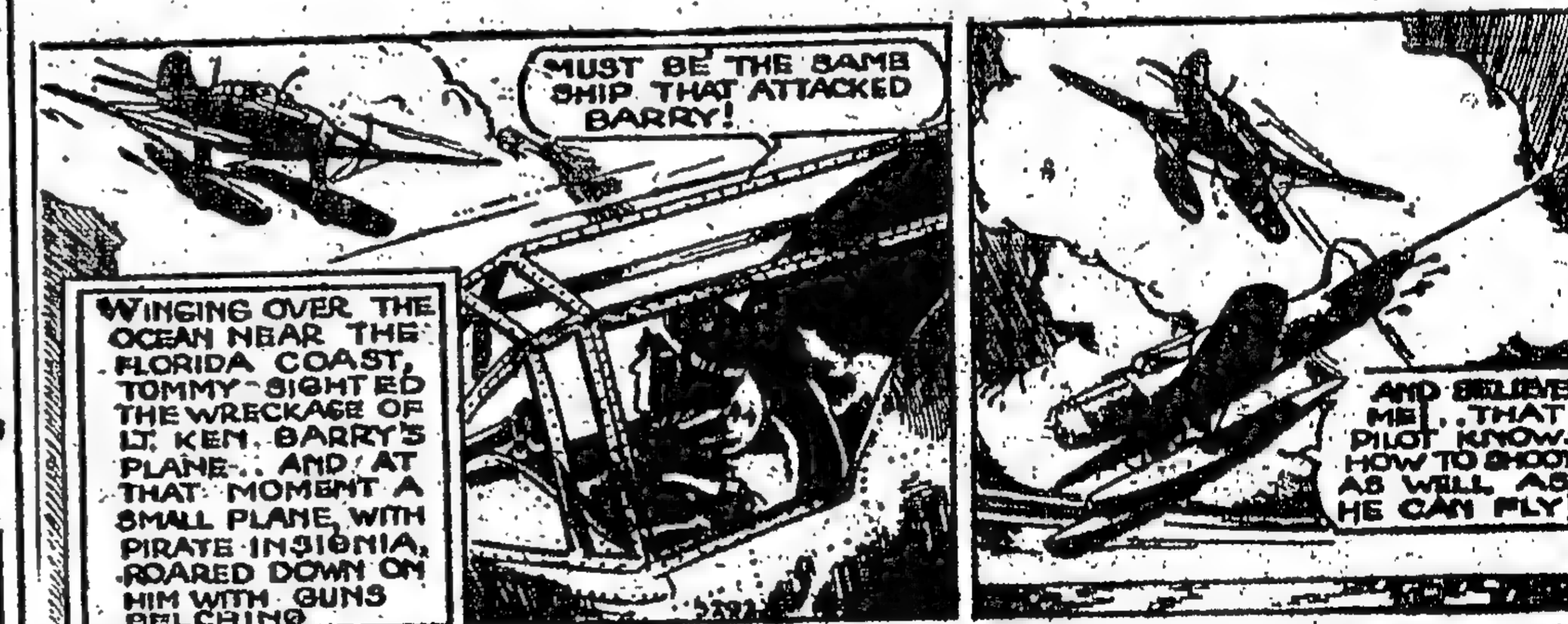
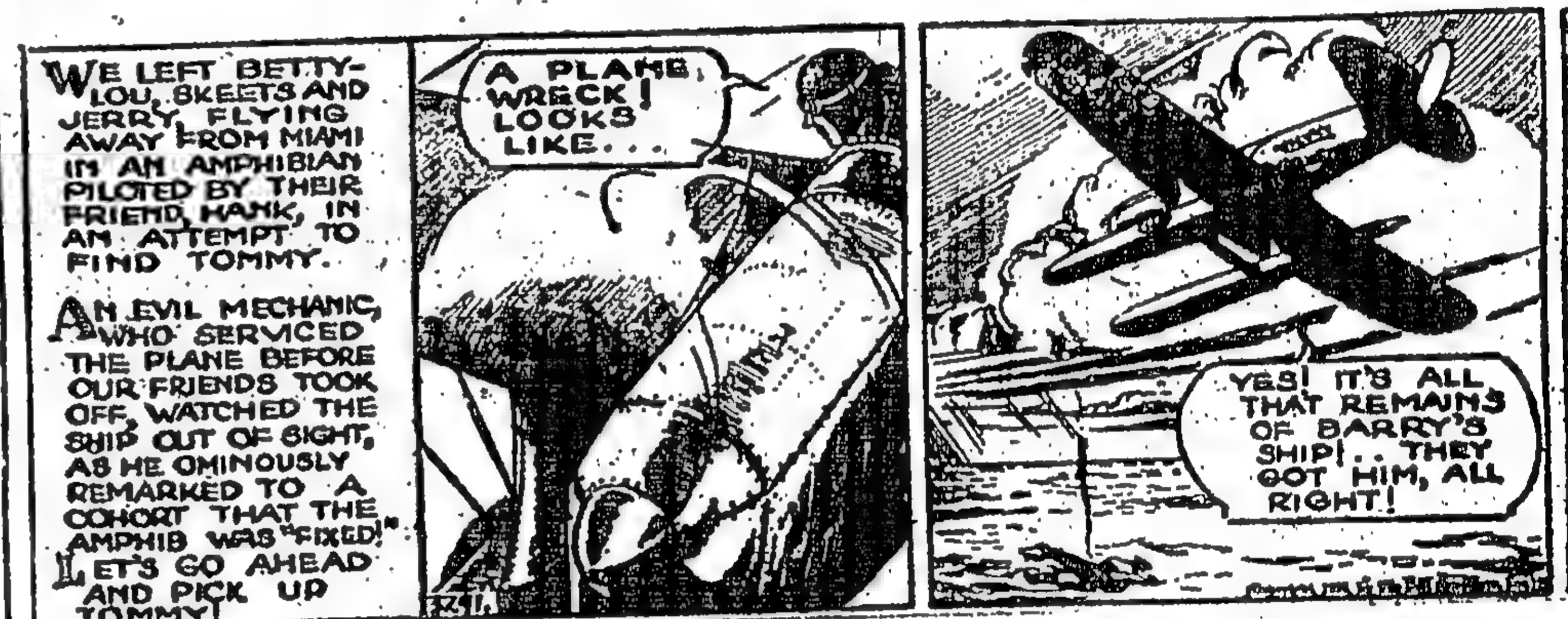


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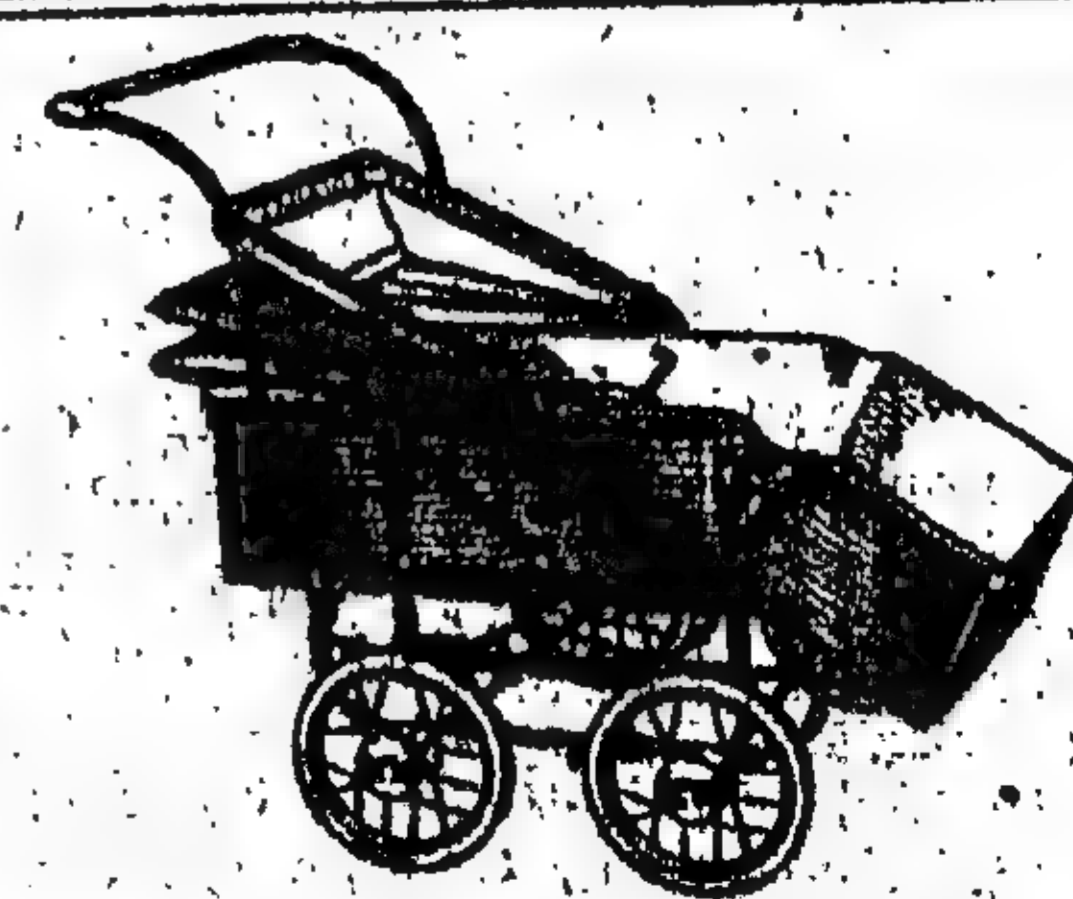
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Check On Bonded Tea, Sugar And Tobacco

Increases In Indirect Taxation May Be Imposed

London, To-day.

News that official notices have been sent to importers restricting withdrawals from bond of tea, sugar and tobacco, is regarded in City circles as a pre-Budget measure.

However, prominent interests are of opinion that the notices do not necessarily anticipate increased taxation.

On the other hand, the possibility of one or other of these commodities coming in for increased taxation is in no way ruled out.

It is also possible that the restriction may have been imposed as a precautionary measure in order to safeguard consumers against unwarranted speculation in connexion with the Budget.

It is held likely that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, realising that the burden of armaments so far has been exclusively borne by the higher income groups, may consider the time has come when the population at large should be made to share the cost of the country's defence.

Consideration of this kind may cause Sir John Simon to tax some of the most widely consumed commodities.

TEA CIRCLES

Tea circles are not unduly perturbed, expressing confidence that tea will not be chosen for additional taxation.

Nevertheless, Reuter understands that a deputation from the Tea Buyers Association is at present endeavouring to clarify the position at a conference with the authorities.—Reuter.

AUTOMATIC ICE CREAM VENDOR

Leipzig, To-day.

The problem of retailing ice cream through automatic machines, which has hitherto puzzled inventors, has at last been solved by the invention of a machine called "Pre-stomatic Ice Cream Automatic Machine" displayed at the Leipzig Spring Fair for the first time, after having been displayed in Berlin for 18 months without arousing special attention.—Trans-Ocean.

PAWNED A PAL'S GUITAR

Ng Kim-hung, 26, actor, was bound over by Mr. R. Edwards this morning, when charged with illegal pawning of a guitar.

The owner asked the Court withdraw the charge, because defendant was his friend.

Defendant pawned the guitar for six dollars at the Yuen Hing pawnshop, at No. 48, Queen's Road Central, without permission of the owner.

OXFORD CREW'S SOUND SHOWING

London, To-day.
The Oxford crew, preparing for the Boat Race, yesterday rowed from Chiswick Steps to Barnes Bridge, one mile 822 yards, in 3 minutes 49 seconds, beating the previous best by four minutes.—Reuter.

ALL BRITISH TRADE BROUGHT TO STANDSTILL

London, To-day.

Asked whether he was aware that all British trade at Chefoo and Weihaiwei was at a standstill owing to the Japanese refusal to permit cargoes to be exported unless financed through the Yokohama Specie Bank, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replied "Yes."

The Foreign Secretary, he added, in a communication with Sir Robert Craigie (our Ambassador in Tokyo) had instructed him to bring up the whole question of trade and exchange control measures introduced in North China ports.—Reuter.

LAST-MINUTE CHANGE IN CURRENCY PLAN

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

A LAST-MINUTE CHANGE IN THE PLAN TO MAKE THE OLD NATIONAL CURRENCY ILLEGAL ALL OVER NORTH CHINA FROM MARCH 11, WAS MADE YESTERDAY. WHEN THE "PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT" ANNOUNCED THAT AS FROM MARCH 11 IN NORTH CHINA, THERE WOULD BE TWO ZONES FOR CURRENCY PURPOSES.

These zones would be the "Federal Reserve zone" and the "bandit" zone.

The Federal zone is limited to eleven towns in Hopei, Shantung, Shansi and Honan, including Peiping, Tientsin, Tsingtao and Chefoo.

Here, people found carrying the old currency are liable to fine and property confiscation after March 11.

The order says that circulation of Federal Reserve currency will be extended to other places as Japanese military operations extend.—Reuter.

OVER-ZEALOUS STAMP COLLECTOR

An 18-year-old servant, Pun Yim-chi, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, with embezzlement of a letter, received by him from the General Post Office box No. 30, on account of his employer.

Defendant was employed by the "Wah Kiu Yat Po" at No. 110 Hollywood Road. He was sent to the Post Office at 11 a.m. yesterday, to collect letters. Later, he was seen outside the King's Theatre tearing off the corner of a letter, which he threw away.

Inspector Hopkins said that he thought defendant's intention was only to take the stamps.

Defendant was bound over.

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MORE BRITISH CREDITS

The political consequences as well as the economic importance of the China dollar stabilisation fund to which the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank and the Chartered Bank are substantially contributing under British Government guarantee are unmistakable.

China's management of her currency, which has kept quotations remarkably steady for several months past, has been a distinct achievement in itself. The tangible backing of British banking quarters is calculated to inject a new feeling of confidence in every sphere, and notably into foreign trade transactions, relieving both importers and exporters of possible anxieties.

Politically, although this is the sphere of the Government and not of the bank, the step leaves Japan no room for misunderstanding. It tells Tokyo that the continued pressure on British interests throughout China, the glibly-denied but practically-persistent efforts to squeeze out third Power commercial enterprise, is felt in London as an increasing incentive towards reprisals. The powerful finance weapon of the City of London and great British banking institutions in the Far East is but one of many that can be brought into play if Japan compels it. The export credit granted a few weeks ago was the first mild intimation. The joint \$10,000,000 fund now set up with British assistance is no more than the lending of additional emphasis to that warning.

Britain's patience, however, is far from inexhaustible and as the situation in Europe eases, so will it be possible to pay increasing attention to the Far East.

No one seriously misconstrues the potentialities of the situation. Japan's weakness today is not inherently financial, though she is not exempt from the danger of exhaustion of her national capital. Her important weakness lies in the necessity of finding certain materials abroad, and nothing she has yet done, either in China or elsewhere, has lifted the handicap to any important

extent. Here it is that Japan may soon meet with counter-pressure for such encroachments upon foreign privileges as the conversion of Tientsin concessions into concentration camps under constant armed menace, as the North China exchange control impositions, closure of the Yangtze and other barefaced barricading of the Open Door.

No promise or assurance has yet been given by Japan, but for which she has found a convincing reason for breaking. She can hardly complain if those injured in the process adopt measures for self-defence.

A Peaceful Self-Portrait

Sir Henry Wotton's old-time definition of an ambassador as "an honest man sent to lie abroad for the commonwealth" nowadays needs some extension; in these days of totalitarian States and Ministries of Propaganda there are also the numerous and deserving officers who lie at home for the same purpose.

Italy seems to possess one or two very competent performers, including somebody who has just asserted that it is no longer possible, in considering any legal aspects of warfare that may still exist, to draw any distinction between the attacker and the attacked.

That is a convention which belongs to the past; and in any event, it is added, of all the nations now threatened by one sort of trouble or another Italy has the clearest right to describe herself as attacked.

It would be interesting to see the argument elaborated, with full details of how the vindictive and remorseless Ethiopians threw themselves savagely upon the peaceful and unprepared Italians; of how the Spanish Government waged uninvited war on Italian soil, and how a provocative France recklessly demanded slices of Italy in North Africa.

Perhaps it would have been safer to have kept to the comparatively hole-proof proposition that there is no difference nowadays between attack and defence. It is at least a little easier to swallow than the picture of Italy as always and everywhere the injured innocent.

"It Can Be Said"

No doubt there is a fair amount of the "What I say three times is true" attitude about a good many approaches to the problem of the Spanish civil war, but so far the supporters of General Franco in Britain seem to emerge as easy winners in the production of bland and unblushing assumptions. In a letter to which the "Times" gave pride of place in its correspondence recently there occurred one bright bloom that will not easily be beaten:

The policy laid down by the Prime Minister of non-intervention in the conflict in Spain can be said to have secured the universal approval of thinking people in the country.

The operative phrase in that assurance is, one supposes, "can be said," for obviously there are no limits to what anyone "can" say so long as he is not tied down by any tedious fidelity to fact. In precisely the same way it "can be said" that grass is blue, the sky green, water hot, fire wet, the moon made of green cheese, and pigs endowed with capacity for flight. Whether you will get anyone to believe you is, of course, an entirely different matter.

Nearly Hundred Millions For New Planes And Balloons

SIR KINGSLEY WOOD SURVEYS AIR POSITION

London, To-day.

Introducing the Air Estimates totalling £205,000,000 in the House of Commons yesterday, the Secretary for Air, Sir Kingsley Wood, graphically illustrated the growth of the R.A.F.

He said the present figure was twelve times greater than any year from 1929 to 1934.

This year's increase of £74,000,000 in the Air Estimates was equal to the total defence estimates in 1913.

Biggest single item was £93,000,000 for aircraft and balloons.

Thirty-five R.A.F. companies of the Auxiliary Territorial Service for women were being formed.

It was expected that the Air Force programme would necessitate a further 20,000 personnel this year.

It was proposed to increase total personnel to 102,000.

Greater progress than was anticipated is being made in deliveries of Air Force engines, construction of stations and factories and expansion of the balloon barrage scheme.

RECRUITS POUR IN

The appeal in June for 31,600 pilots, observers, airmen and boys during the present financial year, had been excellent, and the figure was passed last week. (Cheers). Quality of the recruits was excellent.

The Estimates included provision for reserve flying and auxiliary forces.

Thirty-three reserve centres had been formed in urban areas, and they hoped to organise 20 more in the coming year.

HONG KONG RESERVE

It had been decided to extend the reserve flying training organisation overseas, and they hoped it would be possible to form sections, for example, in Malaya, Hong Kong and East Africa, to enable local residents to qualify for the volunteer reserve.

Referring to balloon defence, Sir Kingsley said the barrage for London could now be put into operation if the occasion demanded.

He hoped all other barrages all over the country would be completed by the end of the year.

The Civil Air Guard had over 1,400 members possessing a flying licence, and 3,800 were undergoing flying training.

The standard of airmanship was higher than ever before.

STRATEGIC ELEMENTS

By April 1, the number of first-line aircraft at home would reach 1,750.

There were now 30 squadrons established overseas and seven more were to be formed in accordance with the programme to increase overseas strength to 500 first-line aircraft.

Referring to new aircraft, Sir Kingsley said the British bomber and fighting forces were the best in the world.

We had not abandoned our traditional reliance on the value of the counter-offensive as an essential element of strategy.

A powerful striking force was not only a strong deterrent to attack but a vital component in any sound system of air defence.

DEFENSIVE STRENGTH

Developments in recent years had reduced the supremacy of the offensive and had added to the strength of the defensive in the air, but that did not mean that we could rely for defence on fighter aircraft and ground defences alone.

All 11 factories established under the shadow scheme were now operating.

Sir Kingsley Wood announced a new development in the organisation of aircraft production.

Three or four firms will be formed into a group and orders placed for one type of aircraft to be distributed among the group.

FEWER DESIGNS

This, he said, facilitated large-scale planning and ordering, and would also reduce dislocation that might result in war if one of the manufacturers was unable to continue production.

It would also reduce the number of designs.

Production was proceeding on a rapidly increasing basis. Britain was now spending £250,000 a day and that figure would rise still further.

HUGE COST NECESSARY

Sir Kingsley recalled that in November he estimated that by next year, aircraft output would show a 400 per cent. increase over May, 1938.

He was now hopeful that that increase would be achieved by the end of the present year.

The Minister emphasised in conclusion that the Estimates were unprecedented, but necessary, as he believed it was one of the best means of preventing a war, and he looked forward to the time when more reasonable and sane courses would prevail throughout the world. — Reuter.

OVERSEAS SQUADRONS

As regards the programme announced in May last for a metropolitan air force of approximately 2,870 aircraft by next March, good progress had been made in developing the necessary productive capacity and in recruiting personnel, and there was every prospect of its being completed within the time promised.

Four more squadrons had been established overseas during the year, making a total establishment of thirty squadrons. Seven additional squadrons would be formed in accordance with the programme al-

HONG KONG AS RESERVE AIR FORCE CENTRE

Hong Kong is specially included in proposals of the Air Ministry for the establishment overseas of reserve flying training organisation.

The primary aim will be to enable local residents to qualify for the volunteer reserve.

At present, ex-R.A.F. pilots take refresher courses at Government expense at Kai Tak, and the Volunteer Air Arm trains with the Far East Flying Training School.

Sir Kingsley Wood presumably envisages large extension of the existing facilities.

ready announced to increase overseas strength to approximately 500 first line aircraft.

To meet requirements for protection of overseas territories and trade, the formation of certain additional squadrons had now been approved.

OVERSEAS SUPPLIES

Already aircraft were arriving from the United States, and delivery from Canada would commence next year, while a British mission was now in Australia studying the possibilities.

Labour forces engaged in the aircraft industry at home had increased by forty per cent. in the last six months.

Sir Kingsley Wood paid a tribute to the achievement in creating the development unit of the R.A.F. last November and in increasing new world records.—British Wireless.

PROFITEERING CHARGES IN COMMONS

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons neither Mr. Hugh Dalton nor Sir Hugh Seely, who followed Sir Kingsley Wood, objected to his estimates on behalf of the Labour and Liberal parties, though they criticised his statement in detail.

They both expressed concern whether the rate of expansion of British air power was yet sufficient in the face of Germany's rate of expansion.

Mr. Dalton also doubted if taxpayers were getting full value for their money, and spoke of profiteering.

In this connexion the Secretary for Air had announced in the course of his speech that in view of the results of the special investigation, it appeared desirable to modify in some respects the terms of the present agreements with aircraft manufacturers, and the aircraft industry had invited the well-known accountant, Sir William McDintock, to undertake an immediate review of the operation of the agreement.—British Wireless.

A General Meeting of the Hong Kong Aquarium Society will be held on Tuesday, 14th March at 7.30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Bank of East Asia building, 3rd floor, Room 310, by courtesy of Miss O'Keefe.

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Communist Rebels Against Defence Junta Invade Madrid

PENETRATE HEART OF CITY: SHARP FIGHTING

Burgos, 10-day.

The Communists, whose uprising against the National Defence Committee appeared on Wednesday evening to have been crushed took the offensive again yesterday and by midday had penetrated into the heart of the city.

Severe fighting went on in the neighbourhood of the Ministries and the Hippodrome. The Communists are reported to have occupied several public buildings.

Reason for this turn of events is apparently attributable to the defection of part of the Madrid Garrison.

On the other hand, Republican troops in environs of the capital are supporting General Miaja.

Advance of the Communists into Madrid went hand in hand with the systematic cutting of the roads leading from the capital.

Communists occupied the village of Vallecas on the road to Valencia, Canillejas on the road to Guadalajara, Canilla and Hortaleza on the road to Burgos, thus forming a Communist ring around Madrid.

After desertion to the Communist camp of some of the Carabinieri Corps in Madrid, General Miaja is said to have issued orders for the recall to the capital of troops from the Guadalajara sector.

Communists have dug trenches and erected barricades near Canillejas on the Guadalajara road in order to intercept these reinforcements. Other troops adhering to General Miaja are marching on Madrid from Valencia where Miaja's forces are in control.

Part of the troops coming to help of the National Defence Committee are already within firing distance of the capital and bombarding Communist positions in the immediate vicinity of the city within which the Committee's forces are, for the time being, on the defensive.

The Committee has put its planes into action, which have bombed Communist positions in various quarters of Madrid.

A new proclamation urging the inhabitants of the capital to rally to the Committee's support in its struggle against Communism was issued by Miaja on Thursday at noon. The proclamation stressed that unless the population backed the Committee, the entry of General Franco into Madrid would be inevitable.—Trans-Ocean.

SITUATION AGAIN UNDER CONTROL

Madrid, To-day.

Aircraft, acting under orders from General Miaja's junta, are constantly bombing the Communist rebels in the city.

Madrid's wireless station an-

nounced last night that motorised units are rapidly advancing to Madrid to quell the Communist disturbances.

"The rebels are offering little resistance and are constantly deserting to our ranks," said the radio announcement.

All entrances to Madrid are in the hands of the National Defence Council forces, and it is expected that normal conditions will be restored with little delay.

The Government took 1,400 Communist prisoners when rebel headquarters surrendered last night.—Reuter.

REVOLT SPREADS

The clash between Communists and the military Junta of General Miaja has spread to other parts of Republican territory.

According to trustworthy reports, the Communists gained the upper hand in the Andalusian province of Almeria at Granada.

Local Soviets were formed.

According to an official report of the Defence Council, broadcast by the Madrid wireless station last night, however, Miaja troops have obtained mastery over the Communists in the provinces.

At the same time, however, it is admitted, that in Ciudad Real and in the mining district of Puerto Llano, the Communists are in control. The mines have been occupied.

HEAVY FIGHTING

Heavy fighting between the Communists and the troops is going on in this region.

The Spanish-French Pyrenean frontier was closed yesterday by Spain with the exception of the frontier stations between Irun and Hendaye.

A similar closure took place in December immediately before the beginning of the great Catalan offensive and the object was to prevent filtering through of news from Nationalist Spain. It is possible that this new frontier closure indicates that the offensive against Madrid is about to begin.—Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN WORKERS' PAY RAISE

A message from Rome says that Mussolini has decreed an increase of from 5 to 10 per cent. in worker's wages, and prohibited any increase in prices.

Signor Gayda, commenting on the step, denies foreign allegations that it comes as a sop to internal restiveness.

The decree will cost about £11,000,000 per annum.

FRANCO TO BEGIN MADRID DRIVE SOON

Burgos, To-day.

General Franco has decided to hasten the Nationalist offensive against Madrid in view of the growing chaos there, according to well-informed Nationalist circles which anticipate an early attack on the capital.

Reports from Madrid state that the entire first Army Corps of the Republican forces joined hands with the Communists and occupied the village and airport of Barajas, where violent collisions with the vanguard of Miaja's troops advancing from other sectors of the front took place yesterday afternoon.

Madrid railway station is still in

U.S.-BRAZIL ECONOMIC COLLABORATION

Washington, To-day.

An exchange of Notes calling for close economic collaboration between the United States and Brazil, has been signed by Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, and Dr. Oswaldo Aranha, Brazilian Foreign Minister.

The two countries agree on freeing of the Brazilian foreign exchange market for commerce from the United States, establishment of a Brazilian national bank, and resumption of payments on Brazil's dollar debts.

The United States Export and Import Bank will extend credits not exceeding \$19,200,000 to the Bank of Brazil to enable the Brazilian Government to discontinue official control over foreign exchange operations.

BANK FINANCE

At the same time the State Department announced that President Roosevelt would recommend Congress to place at Brazil's disposal, gold up to \$50,000,000 to serve as assets for the Central Reserve Bank of Brazil which was being created.

The amount drawn upon would be from Brazil's future production of gold.

Dr. Aranha announced yesterday that Brazil intended to resume payments on her dollar debts starting on July 1 on account of interest and amortisation.—Reuter.

the hands of the National Defence Committee.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COMMISSION SHOWS GOOD RESULTS

London, To-day.

The annual meeting of the Chinese Government Purchasing Commission was held yesterday afternoon at the Chinese Embassy.

The Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, presided, in the presence of Sir Ralph Wedgwood (Chief General Manager of the L.N.E.R.), Mr. A. R. Guinness, Mr. C. A. McEuen, Lord Riverdale (the well-known industrialist and company director), and Dr. C. C. Wang.

A happy spirit of optimism pervaded the meeting, and the Ambassador was warmly congratulated on completion of the currency stabilisation fund.

Although the Commission's purchases in the past year were much curtailed by the war, 74 contracts were placed with a total value of £182,034.

INTERESTING CONTRACTS

These were mostly of an interesting nature, such as £25,000 for telegraph and telephone equipment for development of South-West China, and in the latter half of the year a \$80,000 order was placed for railway equipment and negotiations were opened for rails and

material for the Burma-Yunnan Railway.

Since the Commission began operations in 1931, its purchases in Britain totalled £5,266,783, and administrative expenses amounted to £48,439, or 18/9d for £100.

INVESTMENT PROFITS

These expenses were covered nearly four times by investment profits. At the close of the year the total sum of £78,963 stood to the credit of the Commission's current account and fixed deposits.

The Commission was instrumental last year in placing 43 Chinese students with British engineering and shipbuilding firms for practical training.—Reuter.

News Snack Bar

82--JOINED LAND ARMY

A woman of eighty-two is giving a lead to National Service. She insists that in an emergency she would be able to do useful work with the Women's Land Army.

"I did a good deal of organising farm work during the last war," she said when making her national service application, "and I want to do some more in the next." The Ministry of Agriculture never refuse an applicant, and something not too strenuous will be found for her.

Several girls under the enlistment age of fifteen have applied. The youngest is thirteen. She will have to wait two more years.

SECOND CHILDHOOD

The law requiring persons housing a child to have a fire guard should also apply where there are old people, suggests the acting coroner of Dudley, Mr. A. E. V. Shorwood. He was holding an inquest on a man of eighty-three, who died of burns.

"I can see little difference between children and old people like this," he said.

"This old man was as helpless as a child. I think the tragedy would have been averted if his relatives, knowing his feeble condition, had taken the precaution of a guard." It was stated that in throwing paper on to a fire, the old man ignited a blanket. In trying to put out the flames he burned his hands and set fire to his clothing.

OBJECTING TO THAMES BOULEVARD

London County Council's plan to acquire compulsorily the ground on the south bank of the Thames (between Westminster and Waterloo bridges), power for which is being sought in Parliament, is likely to meet opposition. Already Jesus College, Oxford and the Port of London Authority, the Southern Railway, a haulage company, a firm of brewers, and other business houses are objecting to the scheme which Londoners hope will tidy-up the most slummish-looking part of the river front.

CAPE TOWN TWO WORDS NOW

Capetown, seat of South Africa's Legislature, is soon to be Cape Town officially (in two words), according to the recommendation of the Government Place Names Committee now sitting.

Cape (of Good Hope) Town is most commonly written as two words in South Africa at present, and has so been for a century or more.

U.S. SPEED ACE DIES

William (Wild Bill) Cummings, the American racing driver, died in hospital at Indianapolis from injuries received in a car crash. Cummings was thirty-two. An operation was performed in an effort to relieve the pressure on the brain following a fracture of the skull.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London police court:—

Wife at Streatham: He came down to breakfast with his collar and tie on. That's how I knew it was Sunday.

Woman at Wood Green: I'm not saying that he is a bad husband. On the contrary he is a very good husband. . . . when he is at home.

Motorist at Willesden: There was nothing I could have done to avoid the accident, short of not being there at all.

500 MILES IN 153 MINUTES

Imperial Airways new liner Fortuna the other day flew 500 miles non-stop from Croydon to Zurich in 153 mins., averaging more than 200 miles an hour.

It was a test flight preparatory to starting a regular high-speed service.

This comes on top of news that engineers have perfected an idea which will make British aircraft the safest and fastest in the



world. The new development, which will be incorporated in a thirty-passenger all-metal plane constructed by the Fairey company, is a retractable auxiliary wing. In effect the machine—a monoplane—when taking off or landing, becomes a biplane by the second wing, cuts down the speed at which a machine can land or take off thus making for safety.

EDUCATION'S HANDICAP— CHANGES

Mr. Eric Hall told the L.C.C. Education Committee that it was a misfortune to education generally that during the last eight years we have had six different presidents of the Board of Education. Nothing could be more mortifying to the impetus of education than continually changing the men at the top.

U.S. HAS 22,983 PILOTS

The year in U.S.A. there are 22,983 pilots holding active certificates and 10,000 certified aircraft (dated January 1). This is an increase of more than 5,000 pilots and more than 800 aircraft over a year ago.



TRAINING THE NAVY'S YOUNG BANDSMEN. — Photograph taken at the R.N. School of Music at Deal showing some of the young bandsmen now under tuition at the school. Most of these youthful musicians, whose ages range from 14 to 17, will later join bands of the Royal Marines.

NOT HER CHOICE

A member of an after-care committee urged a mother in the East End to arrange for the safety of her children in an emergency, and asked, "Would you like your children to go to the country in the event of war?"

And this was the mother's reply: "No, mum. I should not. There ain't no question about it. War or no war I ain't going to 'ave my children evaporated."

Story told by Dowager Lady Reading appealing for women National Service volunteers.

WRONGLY ARRESTED—COSTS

A one-armed man who said he was a Government employee was awarded a guinea costs at Bow-street (London) when a number of persons appeared on charges arising out of an "Arms for Spain" demonstration in Piccadilly-circus. Mr. Fry said that in the confusion the wrong man had been arrested.

TALLER AND HEAVIER CHILDREN NOW

Since the war the average height of children between twelve and thirteen in Great Britain has increased by about 2in. and their average weight is up by 6 to 8 lb. So Earl De La Warr, Minister of Education, told guests at a Mansion House luncheon.

POPE'S ENVOY DUE HERE TO-MORROW

Mgr. Godfrey, recently-appointed resident Apostolic Delegate to Britain, has arrived in London. "Development of Catholic life in Britain was the main reason for my appointment," Mgr. Godfrey said before his departure from Rome.

£31,193 FOR FOREIGN REFUGEES

Money raised by the entertainment industry for Baldwin Fund for Refugees, now totals £31,193.

National Federation of Grocers' Associations appealed to the Home Office for protection from "unfair foreign competition" suggesting that a condition of entry to Britain of aliens should be that they shall not engage in retail trading. Other industries are preparing petitions.

GIRLS CARRY BRIDE'S COFFIN

A girl bridesmaid who followed her friend to the altar six days ago, recently helped five other girls to bear the bride's coffin to the grave in Rastrick Cemetery, Brighouse (Yorks).

The cemetery is not far from the chapel in which, last Saturday, Seth Priestley, of Oakenshaw, Bradford, married his sweetheart of twenty-two, Audrey Barker of Ellsmere, Crowtrees-lane, Rastrick.

Audrey went to the church with a cold; she refused to have the ceremony postponed. Two days after the wedding she died from pneumonia.

Her wedding guests were among the mourners.

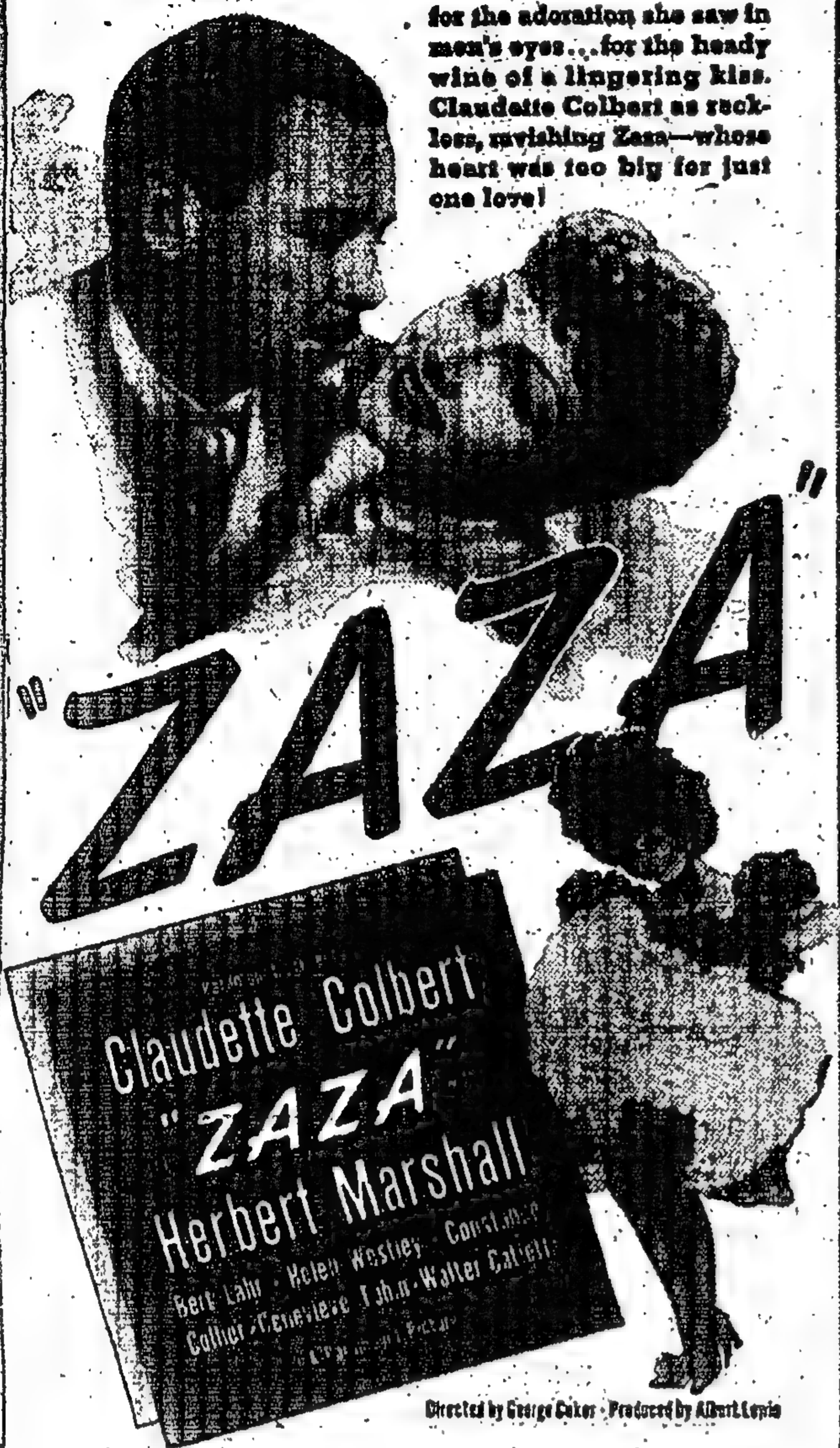
1,500 CHICKS DIE

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Despite attempts by Government spokesmen to minimise the effects of the sharp rise in unemployment, experts are seriously alarmed.

It is realised that there is little or no possibility of reducing the figure below the present total of 2,000,000 unless swift and drastic action is taken to provide work and maintain consuming power.

Judging by statements made recently by Ministers, the Government has no intention of taking action. It prefers to disguise its failure by saying that only 289,000 have been out of work for a year or more.

In fact, this figure gives no indication whatever of the hard core of unemployment.

£90,000 A WEEK

A man who has a week's work after years of unemployment is automatically removed from the category although by no stretch of the imagination can he be said to have been absorbed back into industry.

Actually no statistical investigation into this aspect of the problem has been made for many years.

The significance of the forthcoming report of the Unemployment Statutory Committee is that the Committee is advised by the Government's own Economic Advisory Council.

The Committee, under the chairmanship of Sir William Beveridge, has never accepted the Government's assurances that unemployment is being cured.

It has budgeted for a workless average of 16.75 per cent. over the years 1936-1943. That means in cold figures that from now until 1943, unemployment is expected to average 2,750,000.

During the last two months the Unemployment Insurance Fund has been eating into its £46,000,000 surplus at the rate of £90,000 a week.

The Committee is also working on the advice of Mr. H. D. Henderson, of the Economic Advisory Council, that a "relatively severe recession of employment is to be expected on the completion of the intensive phase of the defence programme."

THOUGH PROFITS RISE

This point will soon be reached in relation to the vast programme of building and construction work which rearmament has necessitated,

although production is still rising.

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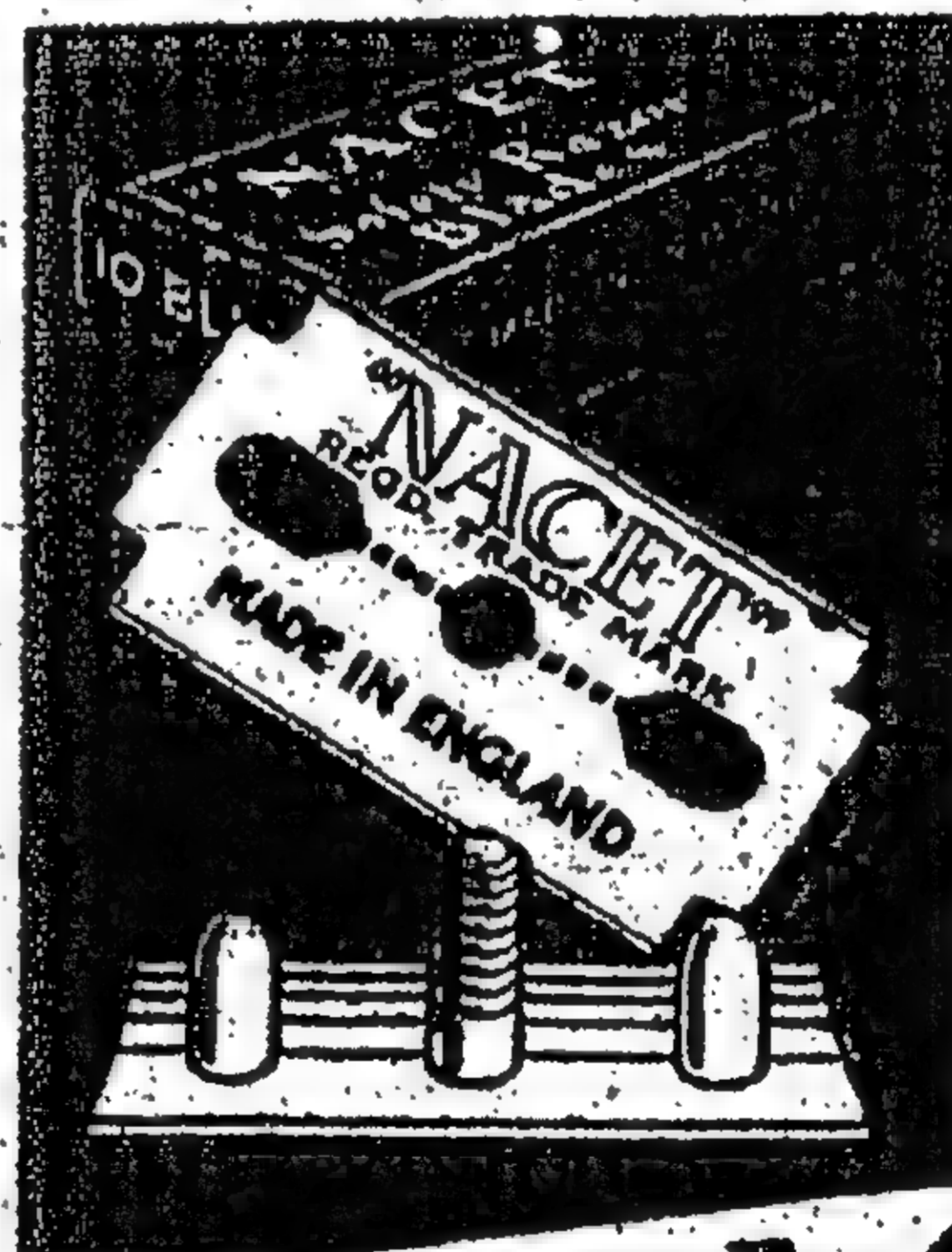
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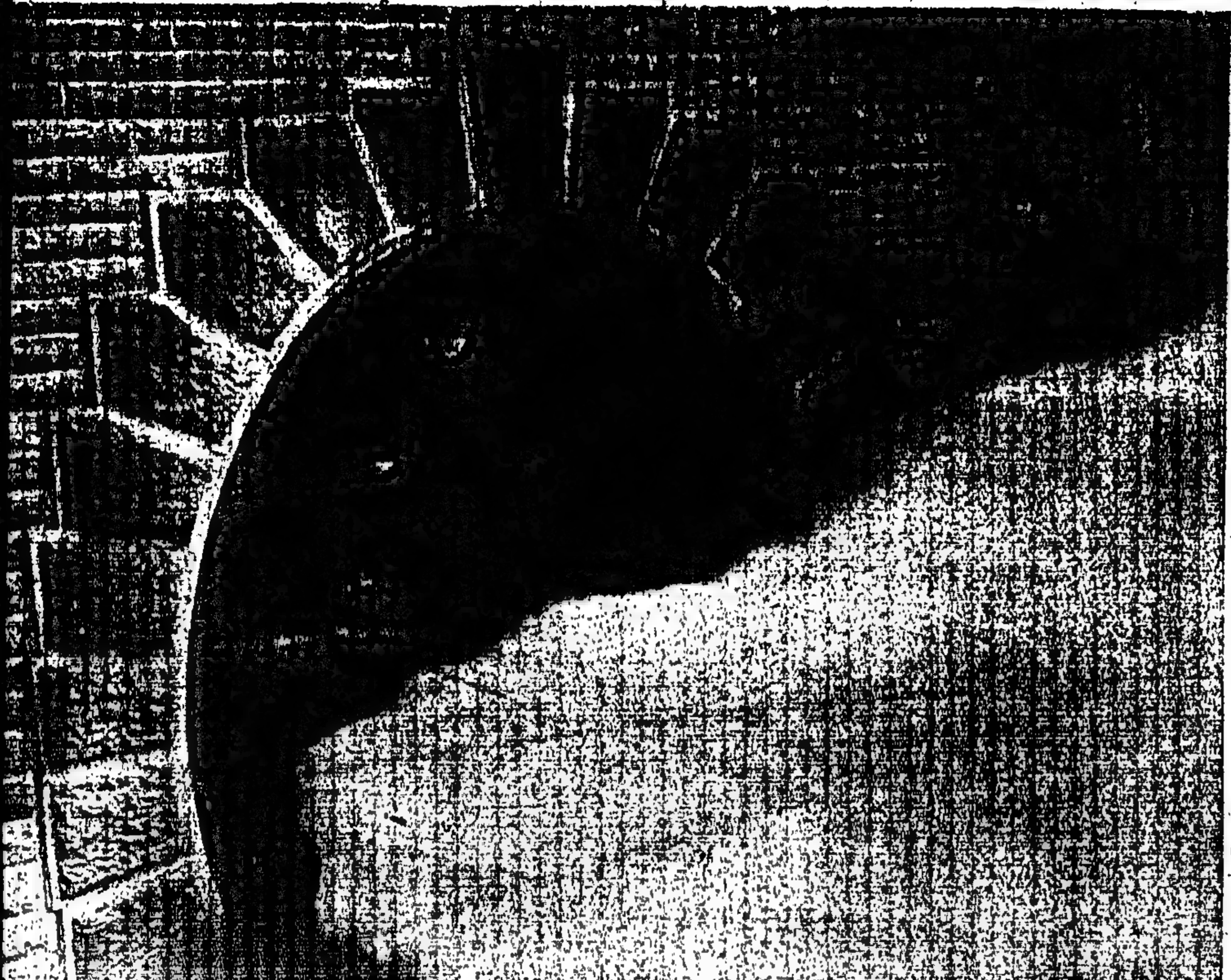
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Bringing Up Father



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Newport's new reservoir is nearly ready. The new lake which has been formed by damming a valley at Talybont near Brecon to supply Newport with water is nearing completion and will be officially opened in June. A hundred million gallons of water per day are gushing through huge pipes from the partly filled reservoir. The heavy rains provide plenty of water at the moment.

sions from particular examples of armament profits, but added that the "Federation did not feel it necessary to apologise for profits, nor did they feel it necessary to defend them."

"The Parliamentary Labour Party went to the crux of the situation in the debate when it demanded "plans for the provision of work and wages."

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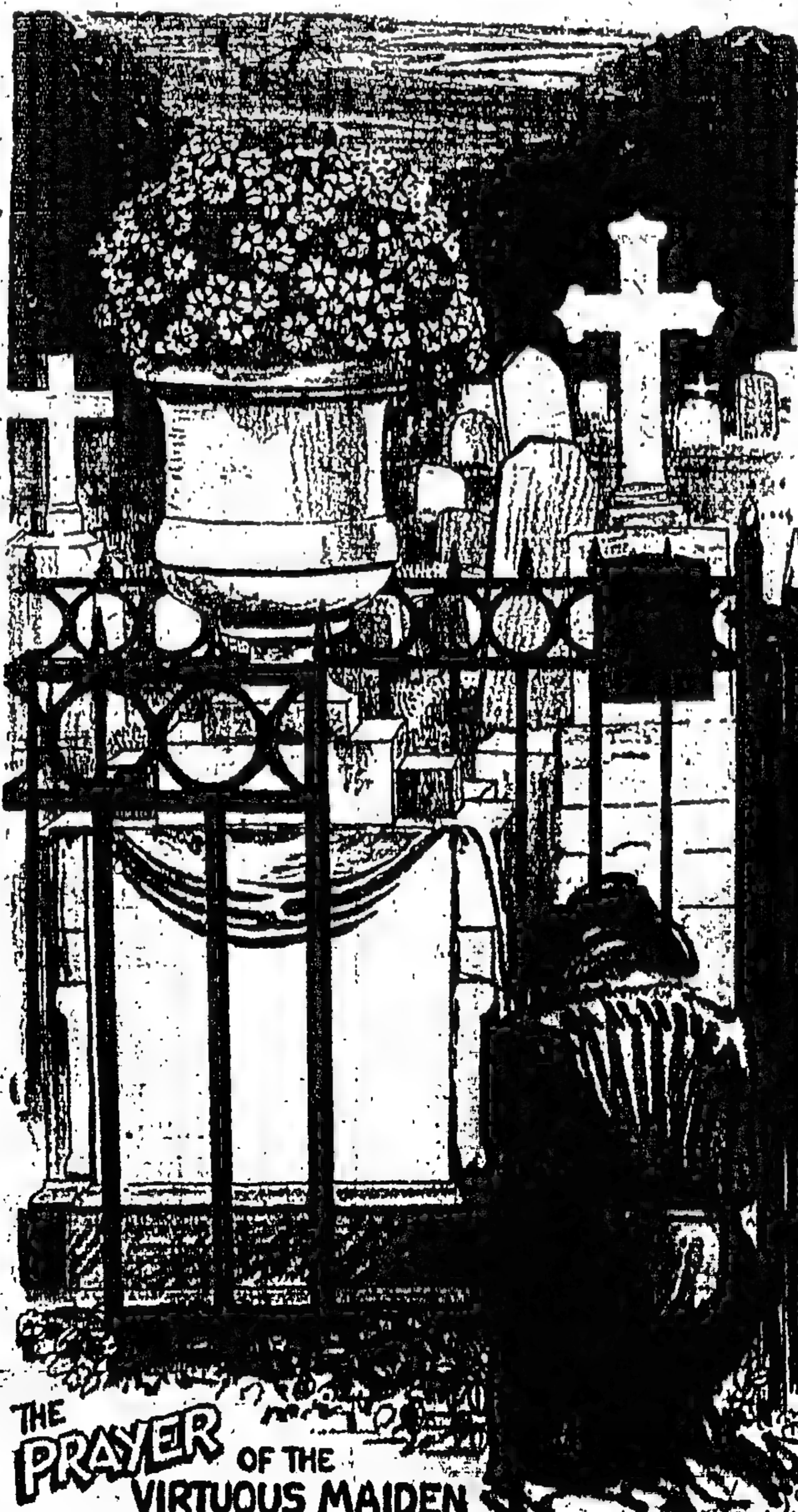
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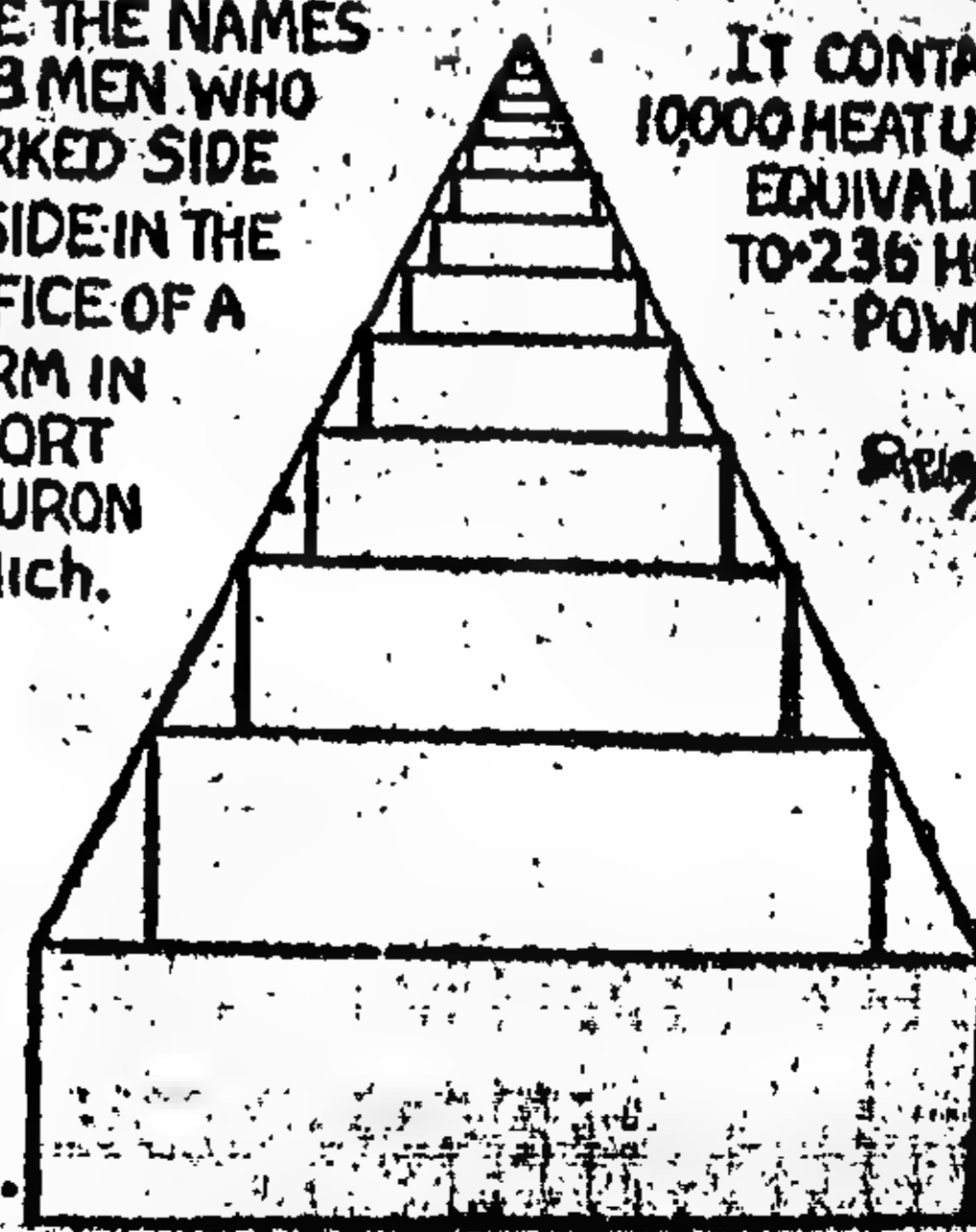
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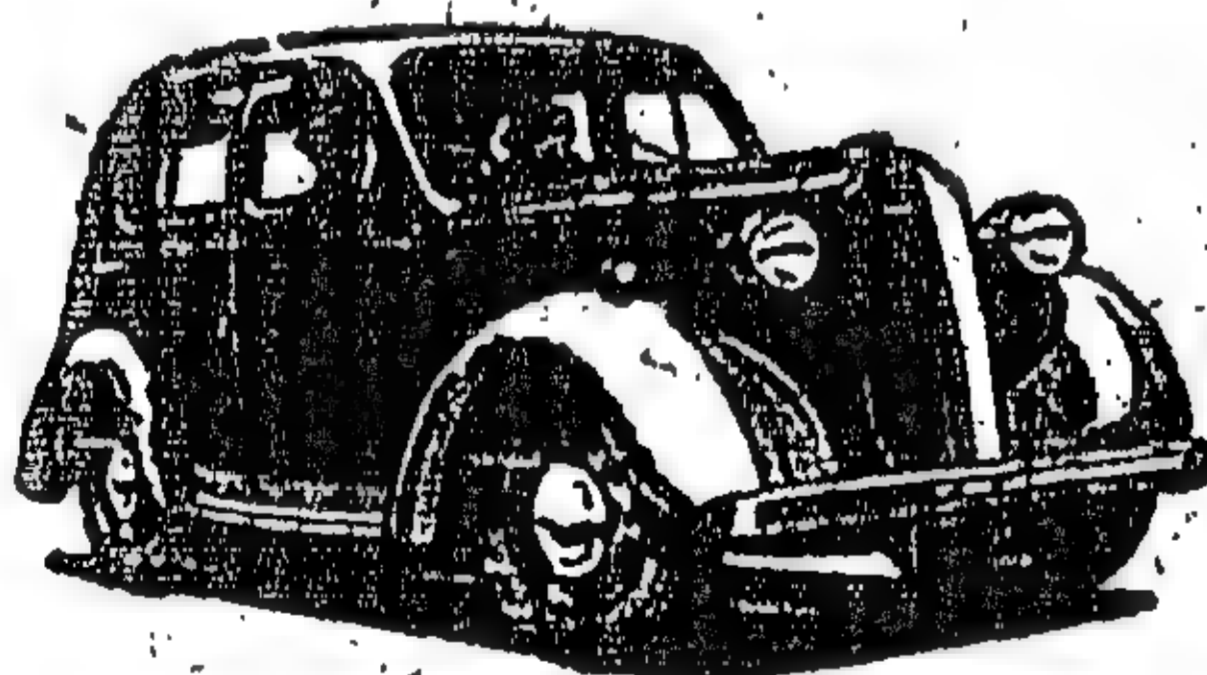
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Many a lady with a house will rock along contentedly enough with a 1920 rug on the living-room floor, and she won't mind too much if her curtains are early George V. But her kitchen, ah that's something else again—it must be as up-to-date as her crazy little new hat. Don't ask us whether we approve of such emphasis—we're just telling you.

It must take a bit of doing for the manufacturers to keep up with all this interest in bigger and better kitchens. But they manage very nicely thank you... maybe simply because men, for some reason, are the ones who think up practically all the clever time-savers and modern improvements we gloat over in modern kitchens. That doesn't make sense, but yet there you are.

Last week I went to the debuts of several very impressive new ranges and refrigerators. Here are some of the bright ideas at your beck and call:

SPEAKING OF RANGES

Signal Bells as well as signal lights are features of new electric ranges in case you are a good forgetter. Clocks and automatic time controls of course go without saying.

New Broiler with a twelve chop capacity and with a deep pan that can be used also for roasting, cooking scalloped things, puddings or gravy.

Glass Oven Doors are featured on our pet gas range. That means all the peeking you like—without cooling off the oven.

Checkerboard Top — provides burners in checkerboard arrangement to give space between. Also useful are the ranges with the centre space between the two tiers of burners free for table use.

Electric Dutch Over--Glass Tops For Vegetable Trays--The Electric Sink--The Open Kitchen

A Hood ought to be a "must" on a modern range — it takes care of smoke, steam and cooking odors.

ABOUT REFRIGERATORS

For Vegetables — A drawer compartment with a plate glass cover that serves a double purpose—it's a

shelf above, but when the humidity drawer below is closed it fits in tightly so that the glass shelf makes a cover that keeps vegetables and fruit at the proper degree of humidity as well as cold.

meats at their best. Tightly covered too and degrees colder than the rest of the refrigerator. Another special compartment is for keeping frozen foods.

Adjustable Shelves are more versatile than previously. Now they're made to tuck away a turkey without wasting space around it.

Fair Warning—An indicator now tells you when to defrost, and of course the really modern refrigerator has indirect lighting.

For Meat — Another drawer is specially planned for keeping fresh



News of electrical cooking—on the left a deep-well cooker that is a part of one of the newest model electric ranges. On the right, the same idea is shown in a portable model that can be used wherever you like. Like a Dutch Oven, only better.

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She had dropped into a Fifth avenue salon to have her hair dyed. Despondently she said: "I'm just the same age as my husband but I look years older. Friends say it is because my hair has turned grey and his has not. So I have finally

to give her dejected morale a boost.

So skin treatment was suggested first. And effective it was! The particular salon to which our Cinderella had come, boasts a novel beauty angle treatment which consists of having a facial while you recline with your feet twenty inches higher than your head! This permits a fresh flow of nourishing blood to tired facial and neck tissue which rarely gets what it needs.

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This discouraged woman was taught how to dramatise her middle-age beauty. Her youthful coiffure by Monsieur Georges is a splendid model for women of middle age.

decided to have it dyed. Will you do it for me?"

The able beauty consultant gazed critically at her client. Her skin was tired looking with a coarse texture of enlarged pores and blackheads. Her eyes were dull, reflecting the disheartened spirit! Little did she realize that if her hair was dyed she would only look more haggard, more hard. What she actually needed was a good going-over

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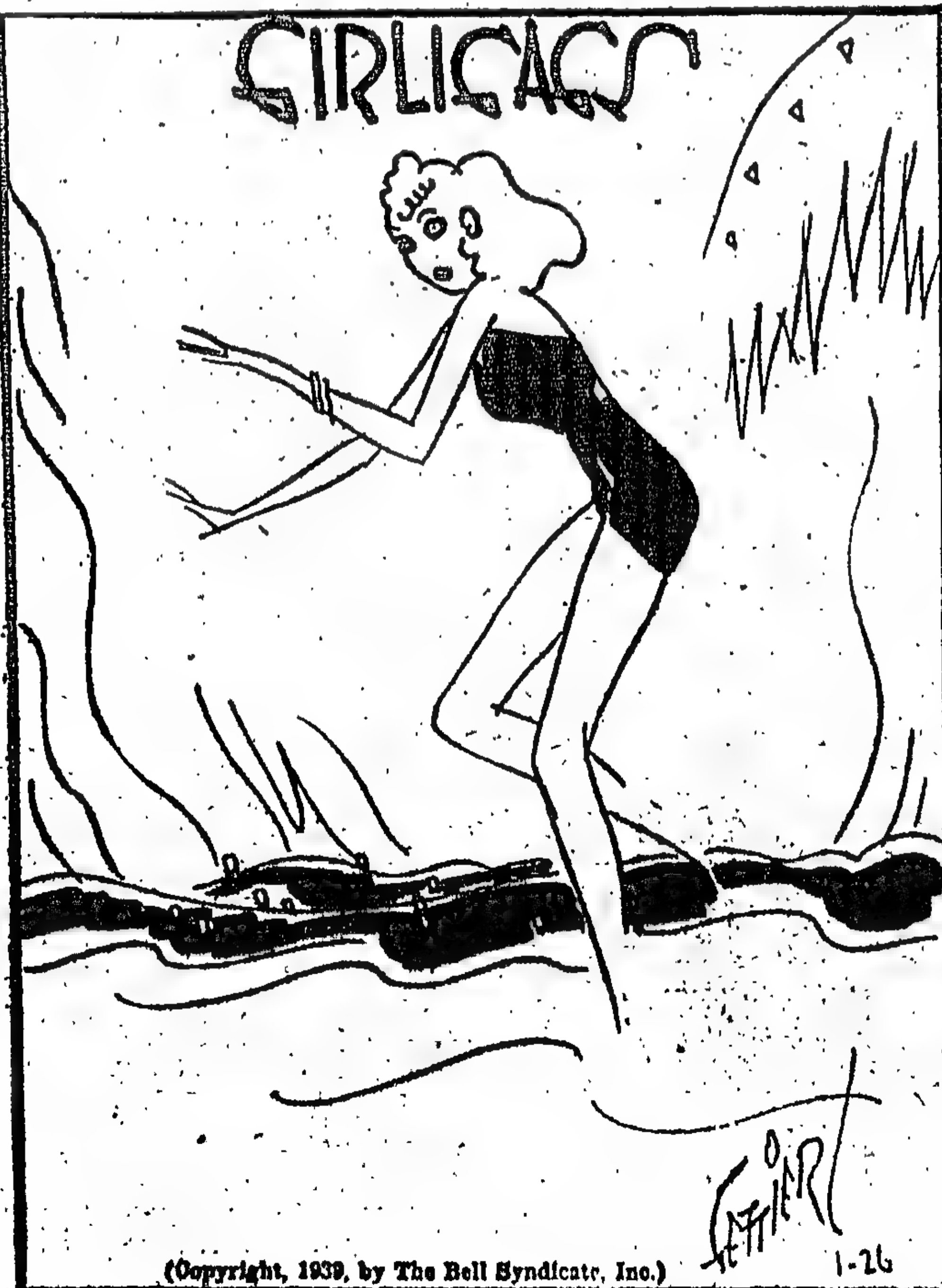
rest. After six facials (which any woman could give herself at home) this client turned a happier face to the world which had taken on new beauty! Her skin was softer, aging lines had dimmed considerably and the muscles were firm.

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Every Woman Can Help Herself

If your skin needs reconditioning you can give yourself this treatment at home, especially if your funds do not permit six weekly visits to the salon. Lie on your

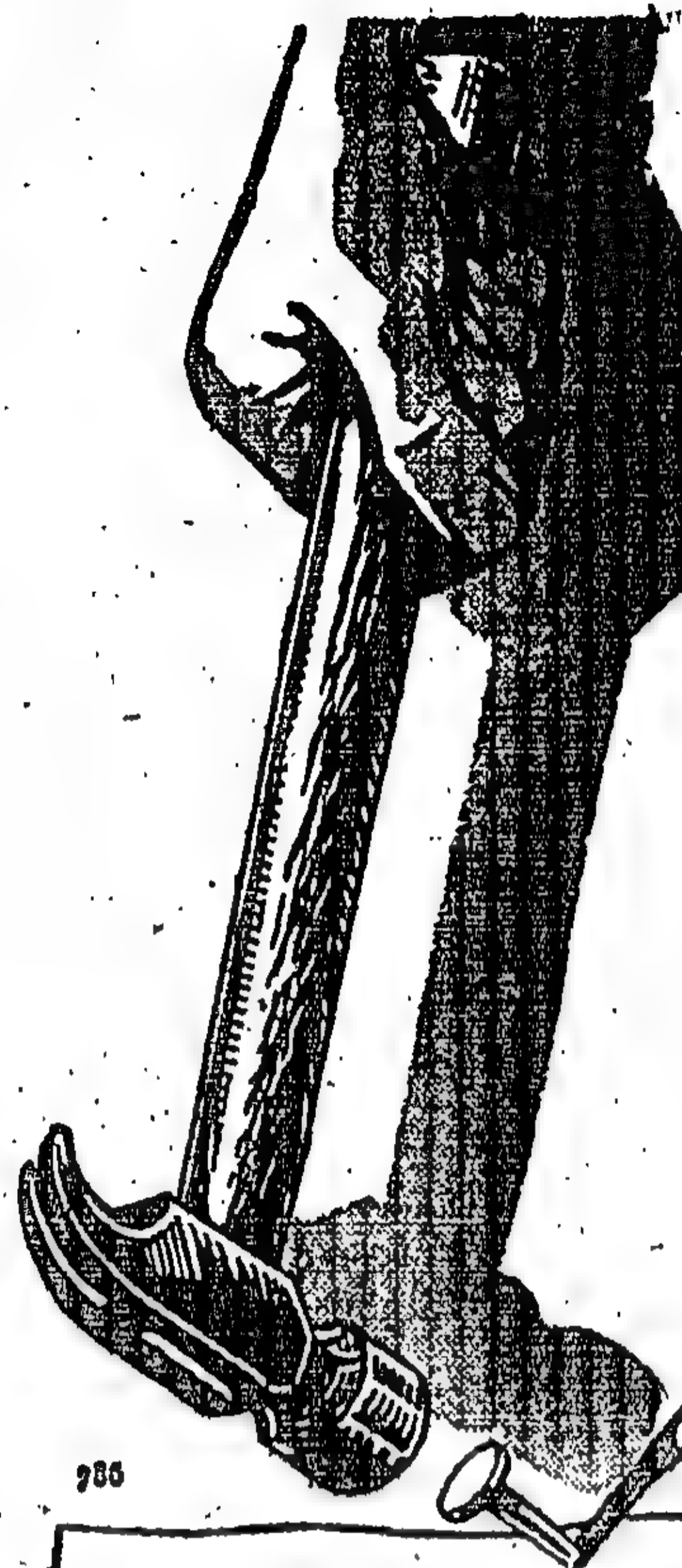
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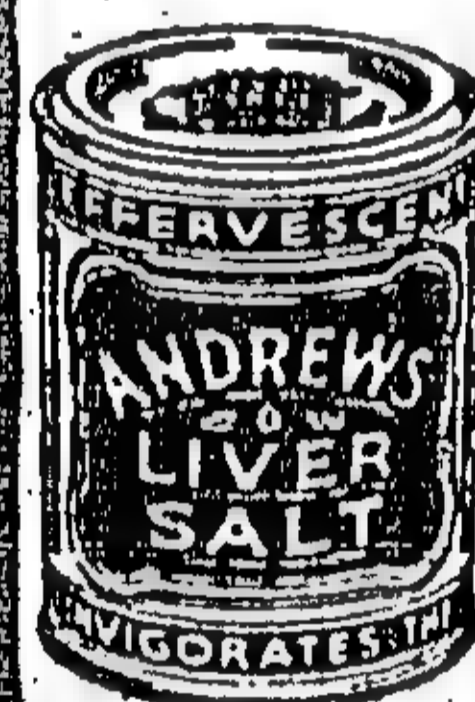
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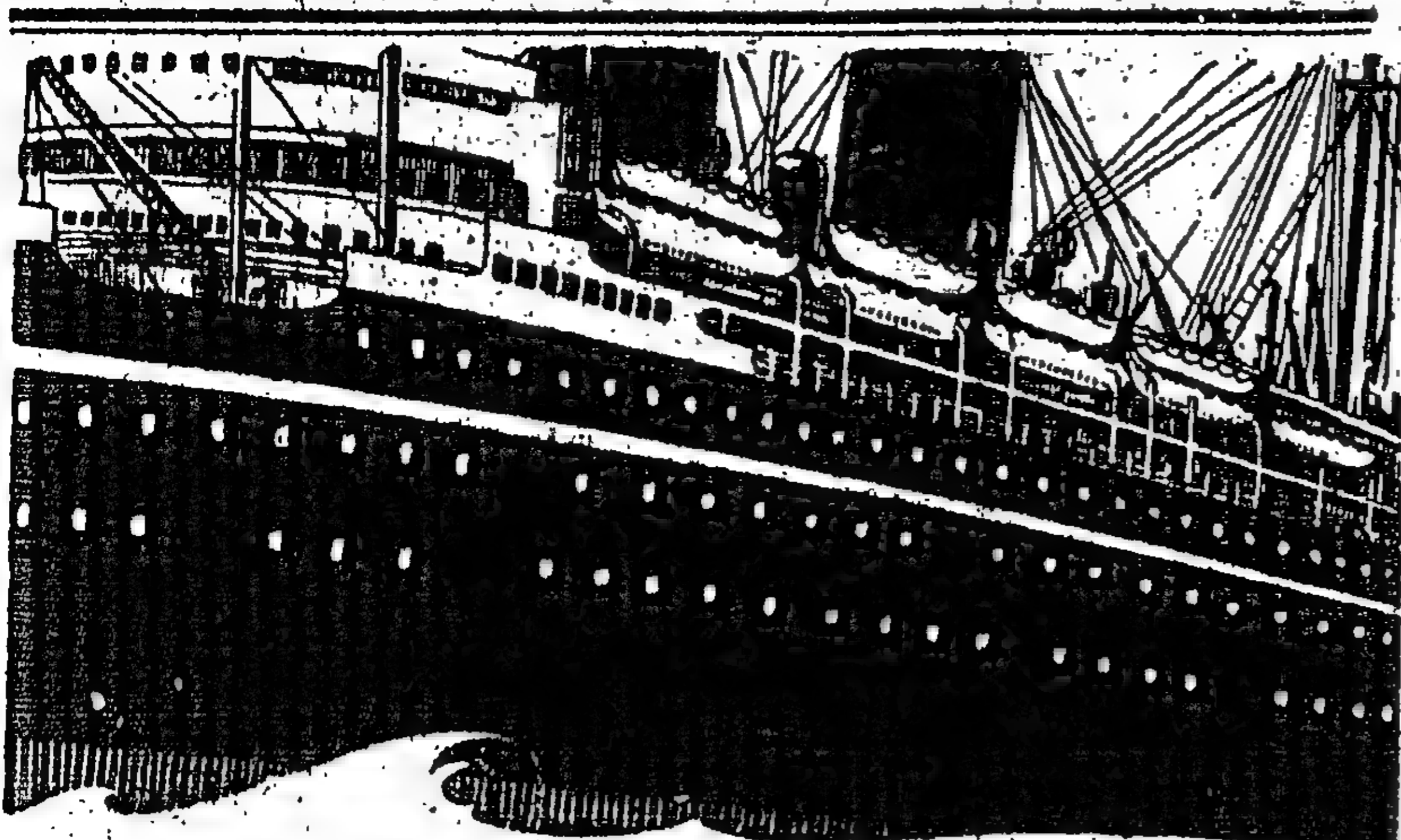


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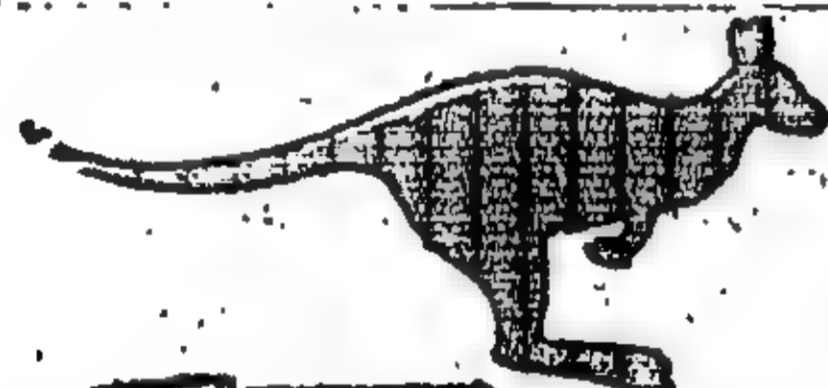
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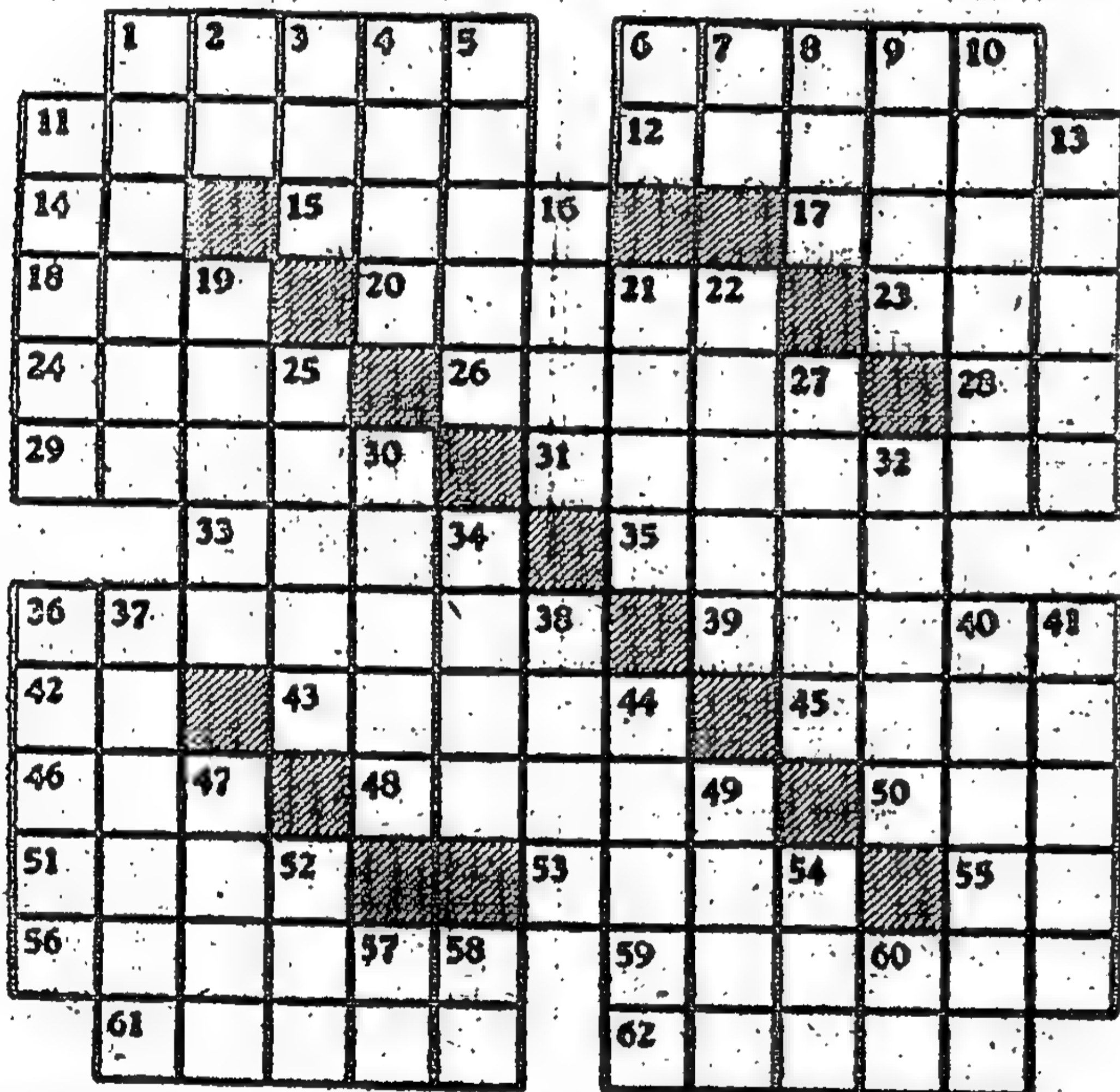
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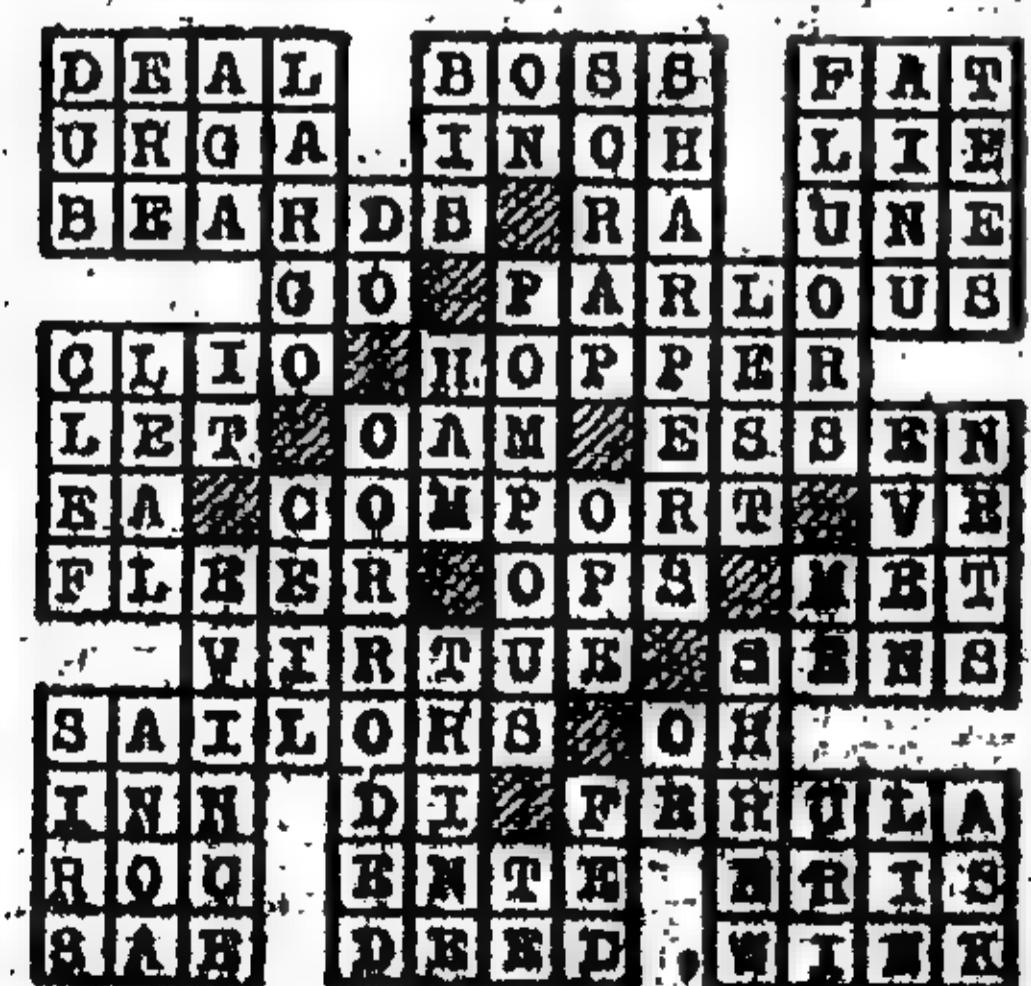
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Autocrat
- 6 Objectives
- 11 To trace
- 12 Beginnings
- 14 Guido's low note
- 15 Inclination
- 17 Rodent
- 18 Tackle
- 20 Proficient
- 23 Auger edge
- 24 Thrall
- 26 Sailing ship
- 28 Negative
- 29 Peculiarity
- 31 Relation of likeness
- 33 Heraldry: green
- 35 Biblical country
- 36 "Jacks or better"
- 39 Music: staff degrees
- 42 Note of scale
- 43 To intimidate
- 45 To cut at stroke
- 46 Beetle
- 48 Ripe
- 50 Weight of India
- 51 Site of Olympic games

VERTICAL

- 1 Special calling
- 2 Conjunction
- 3 To heat
- 4 Part of iris
- 5 Affords
- 6 Proceed
- 7 Preposition
- 8 Timber tree
- 9 Poetic: faithful
- 10 Tune musical instrument
- 11 Ventured
- 13 Indian soldier
- 16 Web-like membrane
- 19 Sedate
- 21 Corn cake
- 22 Tailless amphibians
- 25 Demon
- 27 Conspires
- 30 To negotiate
- 32 Portents
- 34 Upright
- 36 More unusual
- 37 Combined
- 38 Obstacle
- 40 To penetrate
- 41 Flying water
- 44 Drums
- 47 Baltic port
- 49 Speck
- 52 Held session
- 54 Guido's high note
- 57 French article
- 58 Teutonic god
- 60 Pronoun

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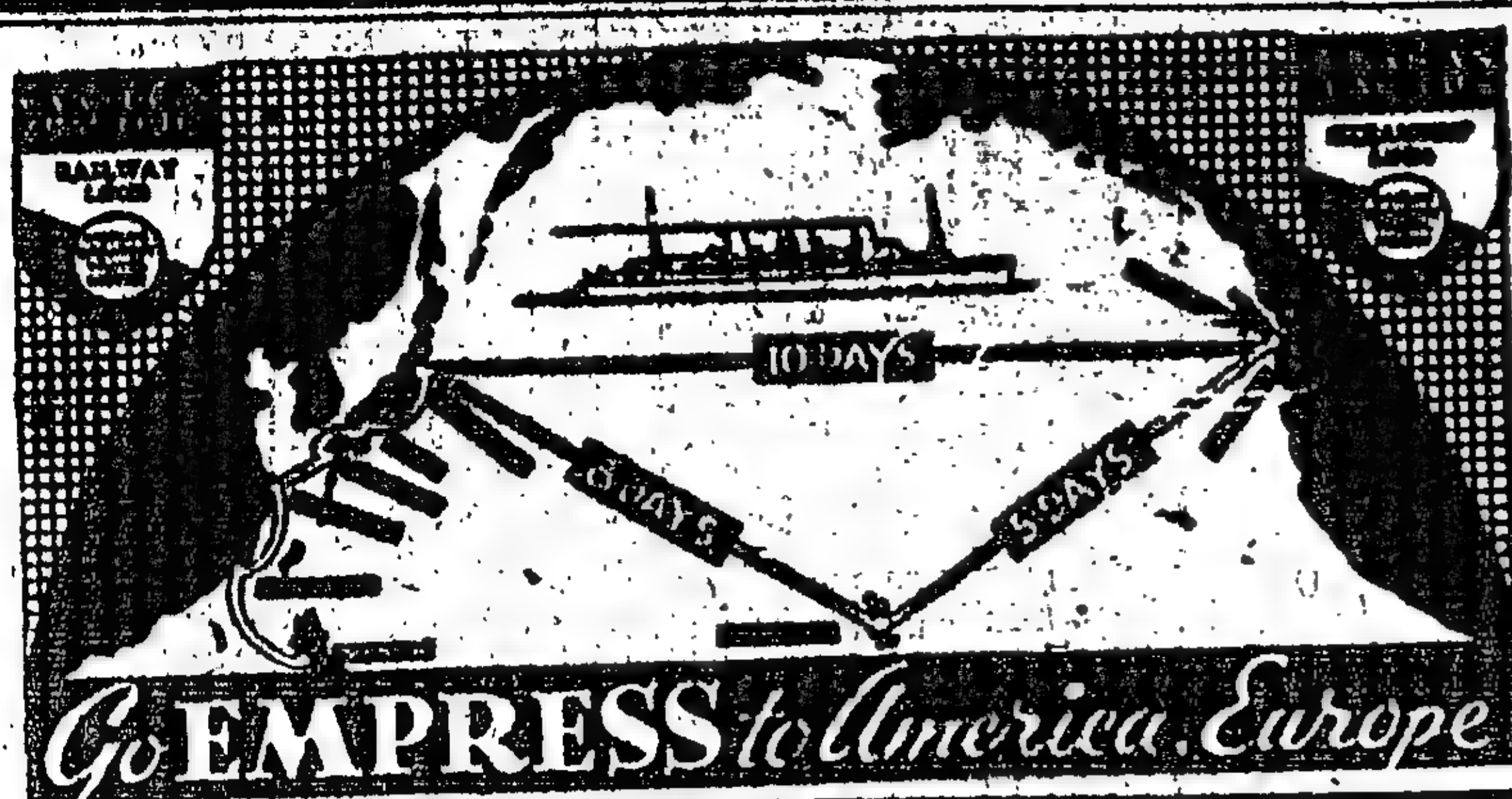
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Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS
Hong Kong Bank \$1480 b., \$1400/20
Bank of East Asia \$85 b.
INSURANCES
Canton Ins. \$225 b.
Union Ins. \$480 b., \$480 sa.
H. K. Fire Ins. \$185 b.
SHIPPING
Douglases \$60 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
H. K. and K. Wharves \$119½ b., \$120 sa.
H. K. Docks (Old) \$17½ b., \$17½ sa.
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MINING
Raub's \$8.35 b.
Antamoks Ps. 44½ sa.
Atoks Ps. 38 sa.
Baguio Gold Ps. 26½ sa.
Benguet Consol. Ps. 13.00 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. 44 sa.
Consolidated Mines Ps. .003 sa.
Demonstrations Ps. 13 sa.
I. X. L. Ps. 87 sa.
San Mauricio Ps. 2.25 sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. 21 sa.
United Paracales Ps. 70 sa.
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
H. K. and S. Hotels \$6.70 b.
H. K. Lands \$36½ b.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
H. K. Tramways \$17 b.
Yaumati Ferries (Old) \$23½ b.
China Lights (Old) \$8.85 b.
China Lights (New) \$6 sa.
H. K. Electrics \$56½ b., ex. div.
Macao Electrics \$17½ b.
Sandakan Lights \$10½ b.
INDUSTRIALS
Canton Ices \$1 b.
Cements \$14.05 b., ex. div.
H. K. Ropes \$4 b.
STORES & C.
Watsons \$7.95 b., \$8 sa.
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH, 1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hong Kong, 10th March, 1939.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-25/32. "Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-1/2 and forward at 19-15/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.69-1/16 and the New York—London rate at £—U.S.\$4.69-1/16.

The following have been chosen to represent All-India in a friendly hockey game against Macao, at Macao on Sunday, at 3.30 p.m. sharp. N. C. Sen-Gupta (University); Gusein Singh (Kumaon Rifles); Datta Ram (Rajputana Rifles); M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.); M. H. Hassan (Radio); Gulam Rasul (Rajputana Rifles); Lall Singh (Kumaon Rifles); Hav. Shah Wall (Raj. Rifles); G. Singh (Radio); Lt. Pritam Nath (Raj. Rifles) (Capt.); Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.); Nerrain Singh (Kumaon Rifles); and Partrub (Kumaon Rifles).



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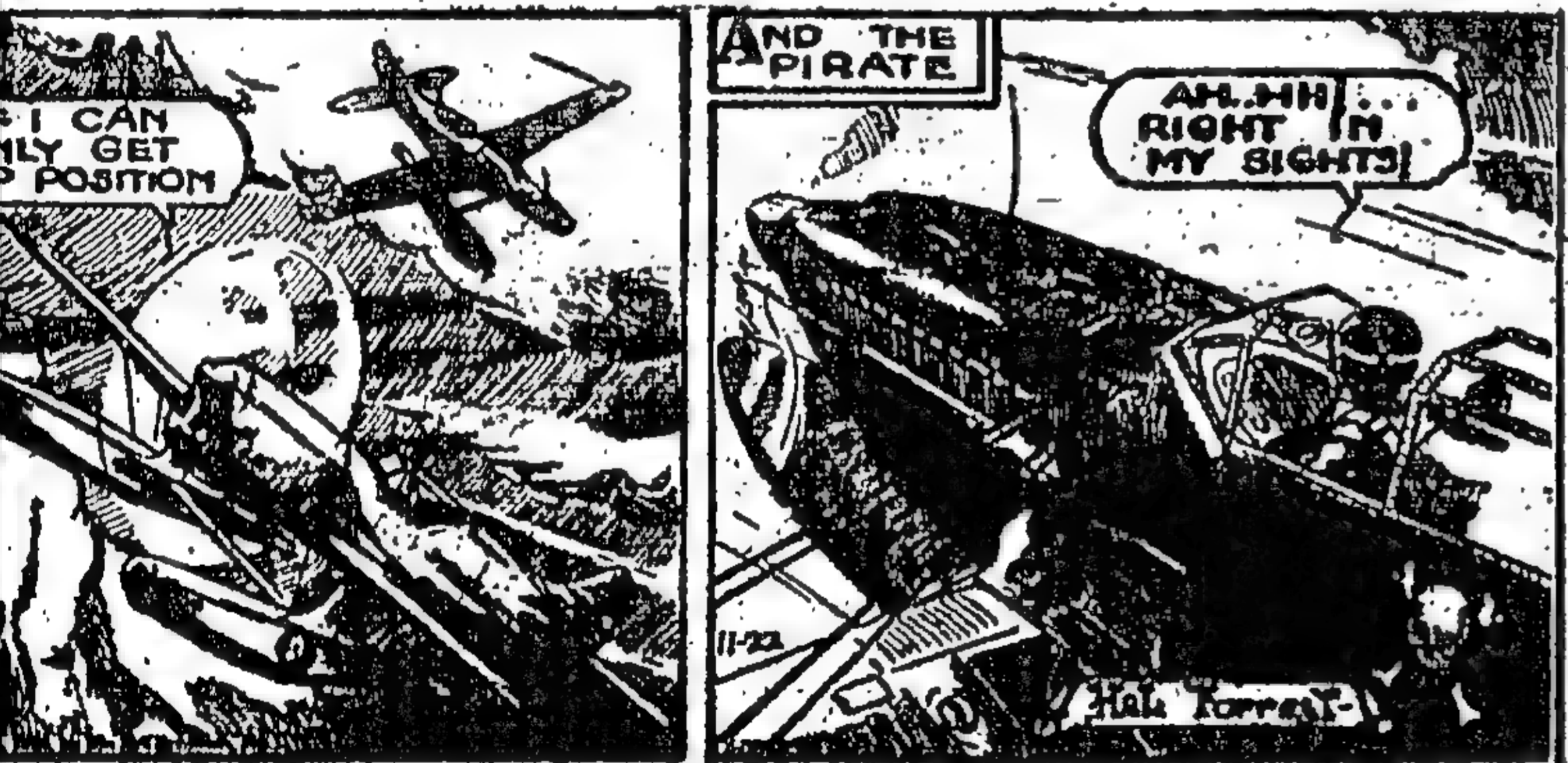
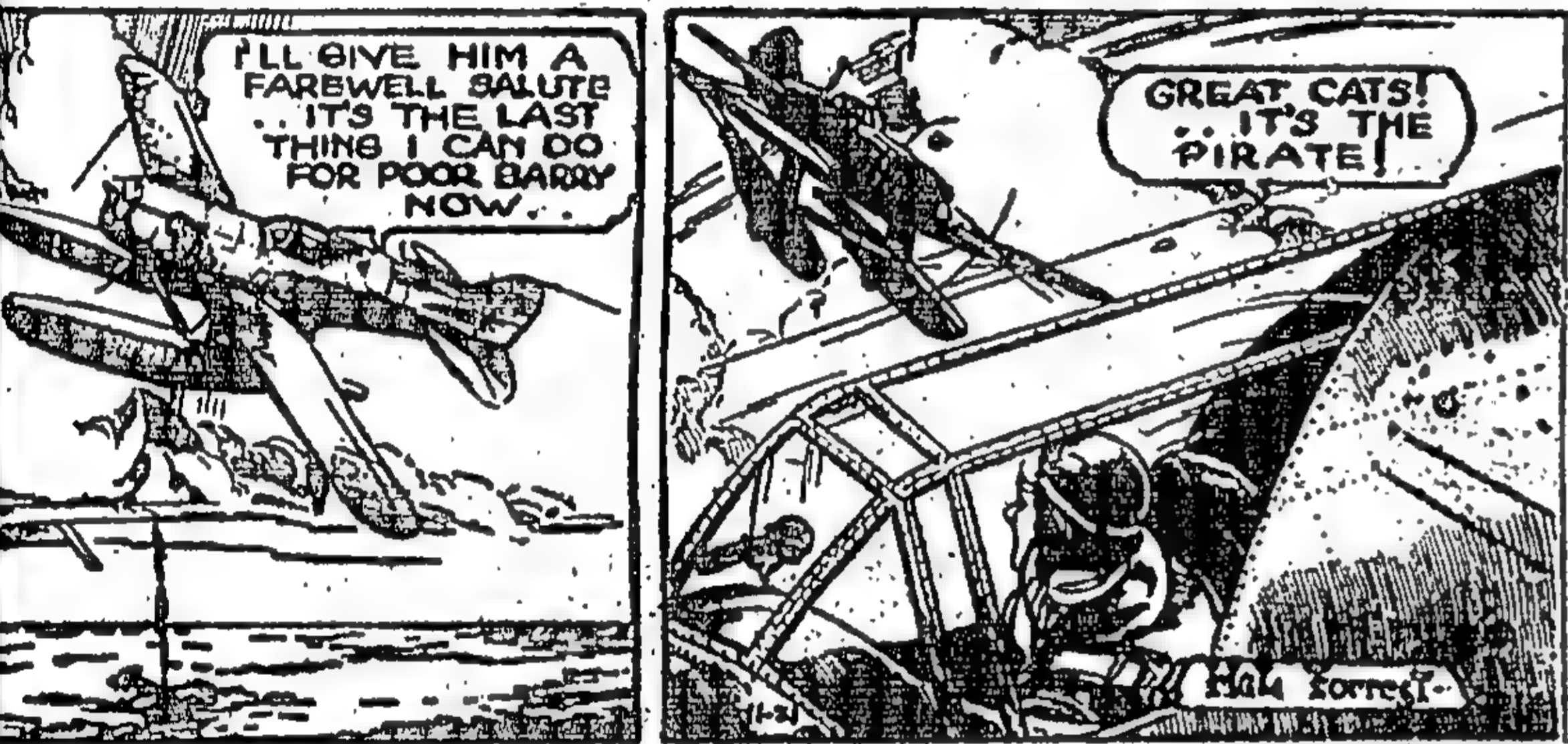
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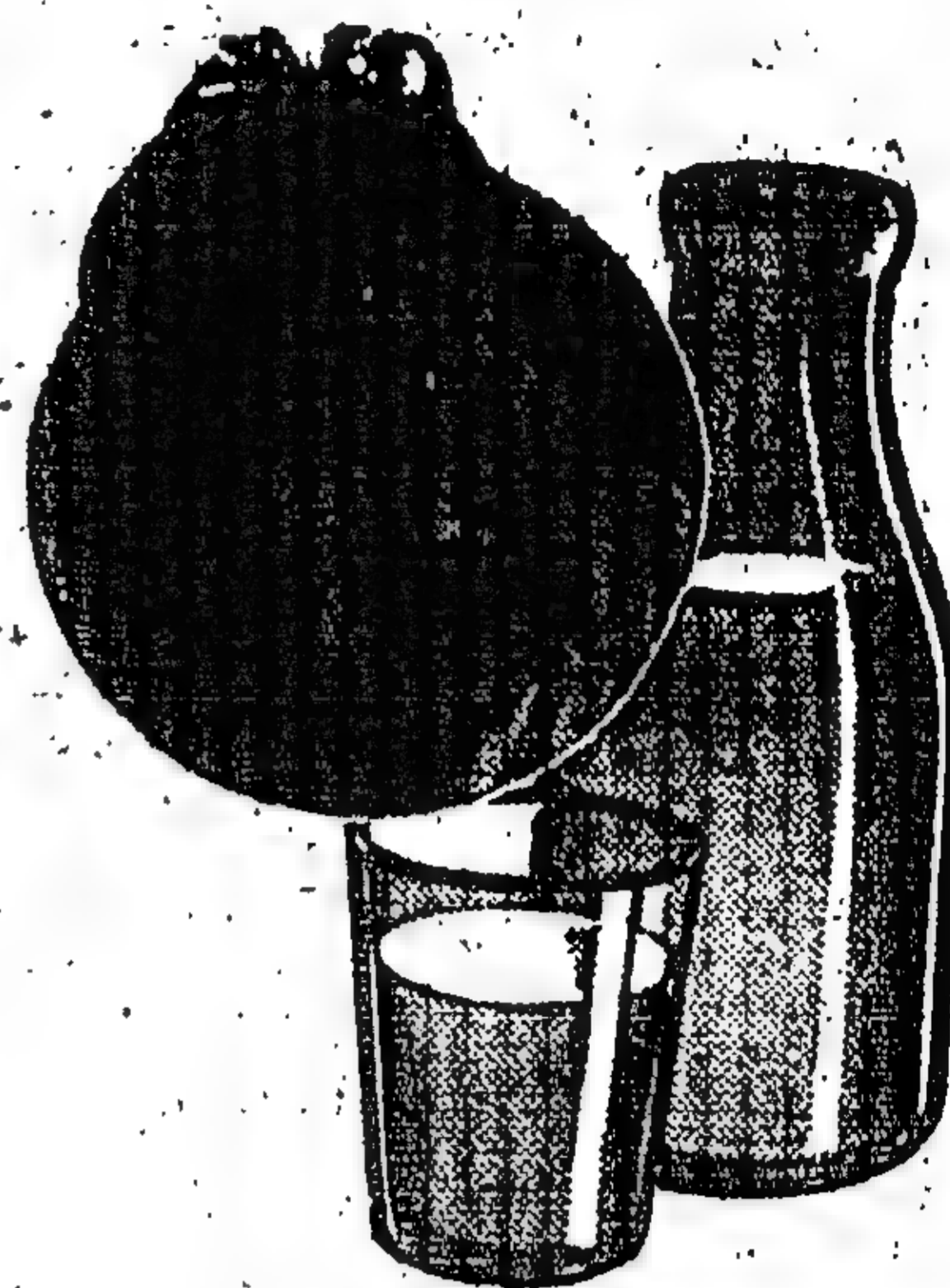
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COVERED WAGON DAYS

AMERICA is not the only country in the world with memories of covered wagon days. South Africa was the scene of one of the greatest of these "treks"—one that for danger and hardship has no parallel in history. This is the Great Trek commemorated in a memorable stamp set recently issued by South Africa.

In 1652 a party of Dutch farmers left Holland to found a colony in South Africa. The migration of the English Pilgrims, who, you will remember sailed from Holland to America, undoubtedly had a great deal to do with the desire of the Dutch to seek political and religious freedom in a new land.

These farmers settled in their new homes and all went well until the territory was seized by the British in 1795. The Boers (as the Dutch farmers were called) soon lost much of the freedom they had enjoyed. They decided to set out once again to find a land where they could live undisturbed. No choice was left them except to go into the unknown and hostile lands of the north, but this danger they were willing to face. In 1836 hundreds of them left the South African colony under the guidance of various leaders, including Pretorius, Potgieter and Retief—names famous in South African history. They set out with all household goods, vast herds of sheep and cattle and wagons that were great, lumbering affairs drawn by oxen.

As they advanced northward, the trek broke up into separate detachments, as one family or another found a suitable settlement or heard of one in another direction.

A band led by Piet Retief continued into Natal where they encountered the tribes of Dingaan, the great Zulu chief. Retief obtained a concession from Dingaan to settle in the territory, but native treachery prevailed, and in February 1838 the Boer leader and a group of unarmed companions were murdered by Dingaan's men. The Zulu then proceeded to wipe out the Dutch colony, but reinforcements from the Free State, headed by Pretorius, arrived later in

the year and crushed Dingaan at the Blood River on December 16th. This victory is still celebrated throughout South Africa as Dingaan's Day. It is the 100th anniversary of the Zulu's death that is commemorated by the new stamp set.

The set consists of six designs. Due to the practice of issuing South African stamps in sets of two, one in English and one in Afrikaans, the set totals 12 stamps.

The one penny, in red and black, bears a picture of a Voortrekker wheel. The splintered and patched spoke symbolizes the hardships of the pioneers. In the foreground are two trees, one rotted to the ground and one sending forth new shoots, significant of the old people who have gone and the new life, springing from old stock that will carry on their work.

A Voortrekker family appears on the 1½p. They gaze at the distant horizon in which can be seen the peaks of the Vegkop and Drakensberg, and Blood River. Further symbols of struggle appear in the framework on which is a yoke dripping tears, blood and perspiration.

Four values of the set form a semi-postal issue, the proceeds of which are to go to a fund for the erection of a monument in Pretoria, seat of administration for the Union of South Africa.

The half-penny plus half-penny value pictures a Boer behind a plough. In the background are three mountains, symbolizing the settlements made by the Voortrekkers from Cape Town to Transvaal.

The 1p. plus 1p. pictures Louis Trichardt crossing the Drakensberg River on Christmas Day in 1837. His wagon has lost two wheels and a tree trunk lashed in place holds the wagon together. Nearly all Trichardt's followers died of fever.

The scene on the 1½p. plus 1½p. is of Piet Retief and Dingaan signing the treaty which the Zulu was to break so treacherously.

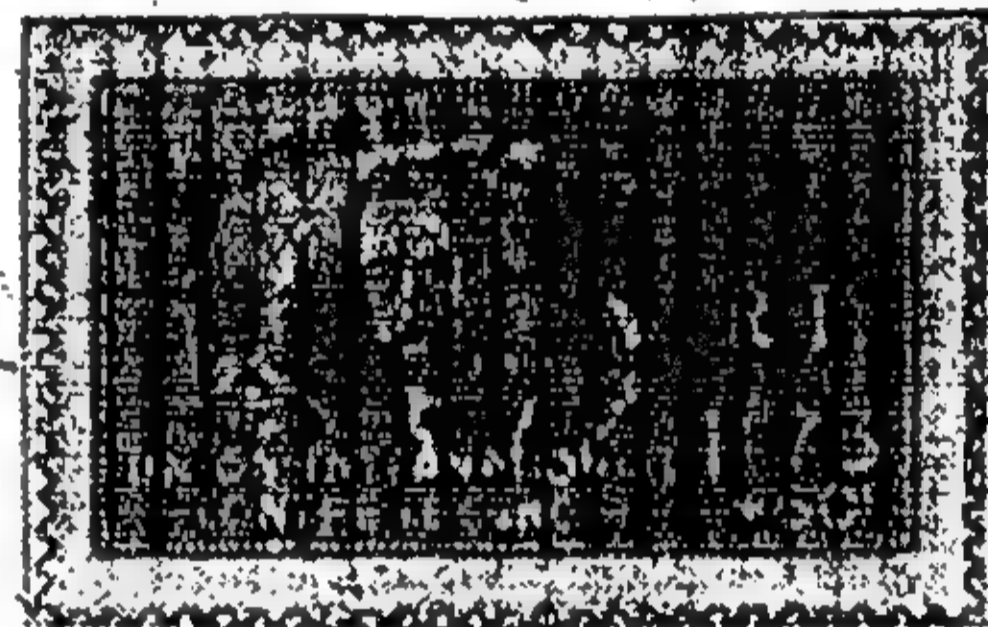
On the 3p. plus 3p. we see the proposed monument at Pretoria. Both the designs and framework panels for all these stamps contain many small symbols of events in the history of this period and the set is well worth a careful study.



Leung Wing-chul, captain of the Federation team receiving his miniature cup from His Excellency at the conclusion of the Governor's Cup football game last Sunday.

FRENCH COLONY CURIE STAMPS

EACH French colony issued a stamp similar to that of the mother country, in honour of Pierre and Marie Curie, discoverers of radium. When these issues were first planned, it was expected that the colonial stamps would be merely overprints of the one issued in France. However, each is a separate item printed from original plates. The commemorative inscription appears at the top and the name of the colony in the upper left.



Printed in ultramarine, the stamp was issued by the following colonies with a face value of 1 franc 75 centimes plus 50c: Cameroun, Dahomey, French Equatorial Africa, French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Martinique, Mauritania, New Caledonia, Niger, Oceania, Guinea, Reunion, St. Pierre and Miquelon, Senegal, Somali Coast, Sudan and Togo. Indo China's stamp, also in ultramarine, has a value of 18 cents plus 5 cents, and the French offices in India issued a value of 2 piastres plus 1p.

TURKISH ISSUE



THE 15th anniversary of the Turkish Republic was recently marked by a stamp issue of six values. Briefly described, the set is as follows: 3½ piastres green, troops marching and planes flying overhead; 3p. red-brown, City of Kayseri; 6p. bistre, modern farm machinery; 7½p. bridge with railway train; 8p. violet,

Boy Scouts; 12½p. President Atatürk in the uniform of a marshal.

FORTHCOMING CANADIANS

IN honour of the visit of Their Majesties King George and Queen Elizabeth, which is planned for May and June, Canada will issue the following three stamps: 1 cent green picturing the princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose, 2 cent brown on which will appear the National War Memorial and a 5-cent red which will portray Their Majesties.

STAMP TEASERS

1. St. Benedict has been pictured on what stamp?
2. What stamp pictures a condor?
3. A scene picturing cattle in a storm appears on what adhesive?
4. King Darius ruled over what country, and on what stamp will you find him?
5. Name a foreign country whose postage has pictured Lindbergh's plane, "The Spirit of St. Louis"?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Chorrera Falls are in Panama and appear on a 1915 stamp of that republic.
2. President Rutherford B. Hayes is portrayed on a 1928 stamp of Paraguay, an honour bestowed upon him for his decision in settling a boundary dispute between Paraguay and Argentina.
3. The Muse of History appears on a Portuguese stamp of 1898.
4. Eugene Huber, author of the Swiss Civil Law Book, appears on a 1932 stamp issued by Switzerland.
5. In 1905 Spain issued an extensive stamp set in honour of the tercentenary of "Don Quixote". One of the stamps pictures the scene in which our hero rides a wooden horse.

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Abe And The Gangsters

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all around town. With this an' some more wisecracks she grabs the hundred dollars off from me and she tells me that for two pins she will also smack me down. I say that I have not got any pins so she smacks me down anyway an' goes off singin' Life Is Just A Bowl of Cherries which is maybe right so far as this dame is concerned.

It now looks to me as if all my brains was getting wasted around this burg an' that I will not try to get any more money because there is a lot of plots goin' on any time I get some money. I think also as well that I had better be gettin' along to the delicatessen otherwise Scraut will also be handin' me some raspberries.

So I smarten up some an I go off an' I am beginnin' to feel not so bad because anyhow this business has not cost me anything at all an' I am also thinkin' about Lilly Scapalensi who thinks I am the cats lingerie when suddenly Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan springs out of some doorway an' says that he is pinchin' me an' that I had better not try to avoid arrest. I say that I am not tryin' to avoid arrest but he calls the patrol wagon an' handcuffs me an' takes me to the precinct.

So I ask what these guys are chargin' me with an' Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan says that he has found a whole load of pistol an' machine gun ammunition in my room on Myrtle an' he is chargin' me with bein' in possession of ammunition.

I say have a heart I told you all about that an' he says Oh yeah smart guy I don't know what you are talking about an' that if I think I can get away with all this stuff around the thirteenth precinct I had better think some more. He also says that if he has

some more trouble with me he will also charge me with some murders that the police have not solved yet an' that he would charge me with a murder that happened the night before in Illinois only it is too far for me to have got in the time.

So then they throw me in the can some more an' I am there for four days an' they then bring me up before some judge who says that I am a disgrace to the city an' that he will make an example of me like hell an' that if Police Captain Dooley O'Hagan who is a great an' good guy had not pleaded for me he would probably have given me a ten to fifty years sentence but as it is he will fine me a hundred dollars or three months in the can.

So that will show you guys that it is not easy to make some honest dough around here, an' all these plots to stop me gettin' any money are not doin' me any good as in order to pay this fine I have to borrow the hundred smackers from Lilly Scapalensi who gets it from her old man's till whilst he is comin' out of a jag.

It is not right that old Scapalensi should lose a hundred smackers because of some police captain who is nothing but a big cheese an' a lot of gangsters who are a disgrace to this civilisation like you never saw.

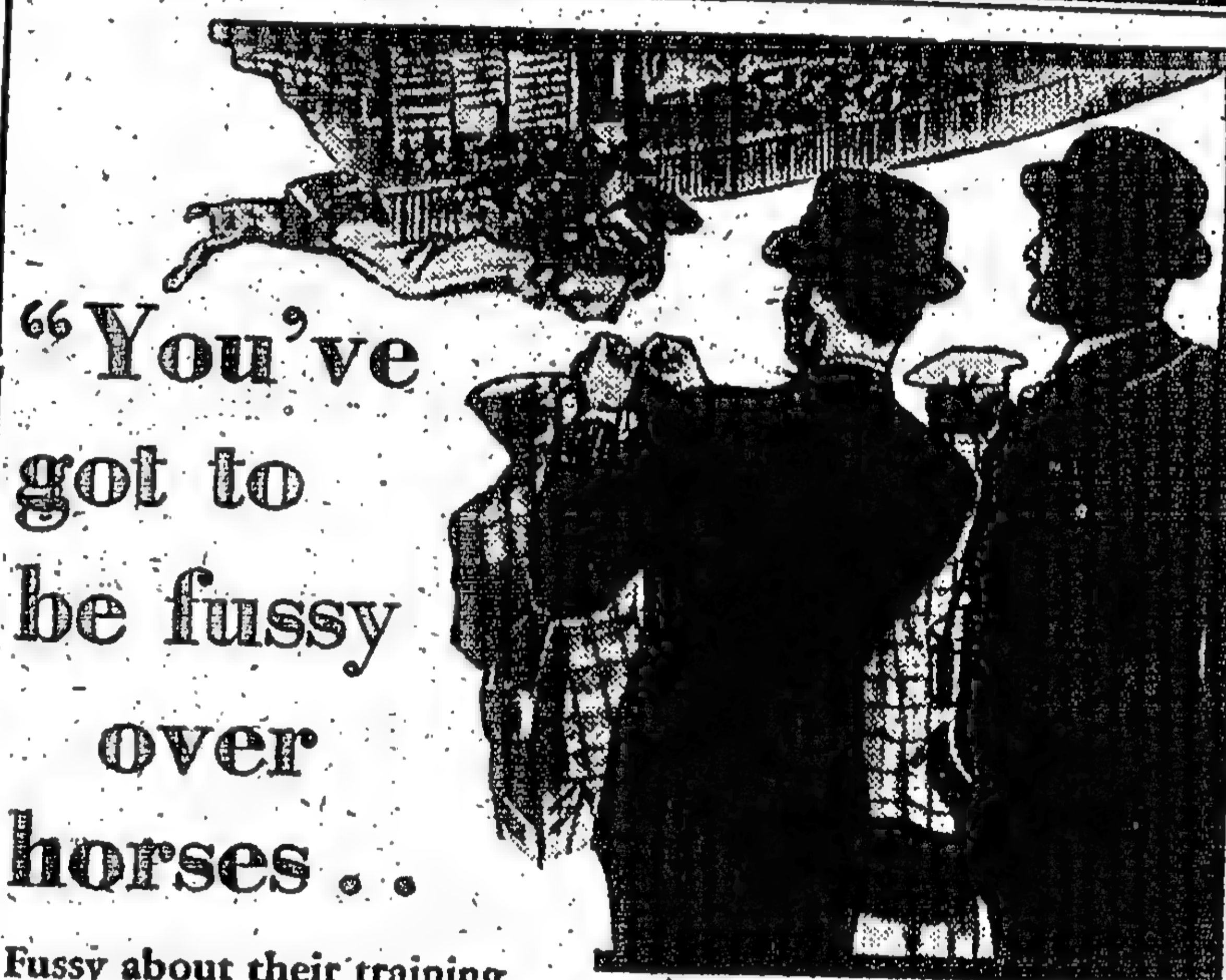
Now all this has happened to me because I am a smart guy an' a swell dresser, because if I had not been a smart guy then the blonde goil would not have picked me out which shows you that it is not always so good to have a lot of sex-appeal like I have got as it is liable to get you into troubles with swell dames except in the case of goils like Lilly Capalensi who is not such a hot looker but who has got a whole lot of prospecks an' the key to Pa Scapalensi's till.



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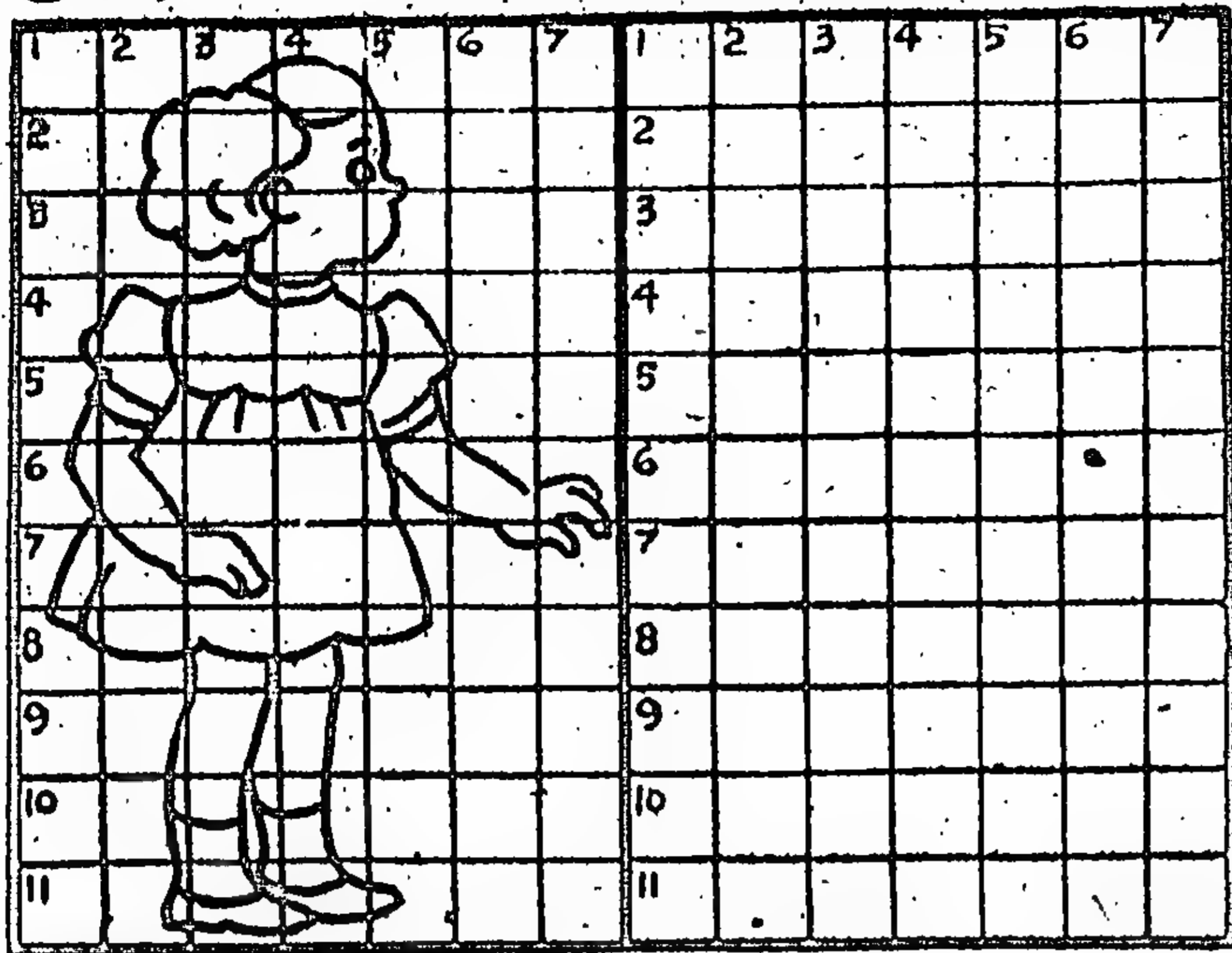
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The above quotations are in Straits dollars.

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The following is the latest call over for the Grand National Steeplechase which will be run over the Aintree Course, Liverpool, on March 24:

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696 Runs Needed For Victory!

England's Hopeless Task

MELVILLE'S FIRST TEST CENTURY

Durban, To-day.

Dismissed for 481 in their second venture at the wicket, South Africa have set England the almost impossible task of scoring 696 runs for victory in the Fifth and Final Test match, which was resumed yesterday and which will be played to a finish.

South Africa batted very solidly yesterday, Alan Melville securing his first Test century against England, but was dismissed three runs later, being bowled by Farnes.

Nourse and Viljoen resumed South Africa's innings before a very small crowd of 400, but the former was out to a catch by Hutton off Farnes for 25. Melville joined Viljoen and took the score to 292 at lunch. With the score at 346, Viljoen chopped a ball from Perks into his wicket. He had scored 74 including seven boundaries. Dalton, who followed, was caught and bowled Wright for 21. He had one six and three fours in a short and lively knock. Melville (68) and Grieverson (0) took the score to 387 for 6 at tea.

Gibb relieved Ames behind the wicket after tea, the latter fielding in the outfield. Melville, who was shaping well for a big stand, scored 17 on Wright's first over and hoisted 402 runs in 467 minutes. Melville was eventually bowled by Farnes after reaching his first Test century against England. He had batted for 200 minutes and had ten boundaries. Grieverson was dismissed by Farnes for 39 and Langton fell to a catch by Hammond, at first slip, off Farnes' bowling for six. Newson departed soon after for only three runs, being clean bowled by Wright and South Africa's innings came to an end.

Hutton and Gibb opened England's second innings, but stumps were drawn owing to bad light before any runs were scored.

SOUTH AFRICA—2ND INNINGS

P. Van Der Byl, c Paynter, b Wright	97
B. Mitchell, b Verity	89
E. Rowan, c Edrich, b Verity	0
A. D. Nourse, c Hutton, b Farnes	25
K. G. Viljoen, b Perks	74
A. Melville, b Farnes	103
E. L. Dalton, c and b Wright	21
R. E. Grieverson, b Farnes	39
A. B. C. Langton, c Hammond, b Farnes	6
E. S. Newson, b Wright	3
N. G. Gordon, not out	7
Extras	17

Total 481

Fall of wickets:—1 for 191 (Mitchell); 2 for 191 (Rowan); 3 for 191 (Van der Byl); 4 for 242 (Nourse); 5 for 346 (Viljoen); 6 for 382 (Dalton); 7 for 434 (Melville); 8 for 450 (Langton); 9 for 462 (Newson); 10 for 481 (Grieverson).

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Farnes	22.1	2	74	4
Perks	32	6	99	1
Wright	32	7	146	3
Verity	40	9	87	2
Edrich	6	1	18	0
Hammond	9	1	30	0
Hutton	1	0	10	0

ENGLAND—2ND INNINGS:

Hutton, not out	0
P. A. Gibb, not out	0

TO-DAY'S TENNIS POSTPONED

To-day's programme of matches in the Colony Singles and Doubles Lawn Tennis Championships have been unavoidably postponed owing to the prevailing inclement weather conditions.

RECREIO BOWLERS IN LEAD

Cpl. Webb's Fine Batting Figures

CRICKET AVERAGES

(By "ADREM")

The following are the League cricket averages to date.

It will be noted that batting averages in the First Division are consistently low while bowling figures on the other hand, in some cases are really remarkable.

These facts are probably accounted for by the unusual number of League matches which have reached a definite conclusion this year.

John Barrow, of Civil Service, is at the head of the batting averages with two not outs out of three innings, while T. A. Pearce, who made 96 on Saturday, and N. A. E. Mackay are the only batsmen with averages over 40.

The remarkable consistency of E. L. Gosano and H. L. Ozorio is reflected in their bowling figures. They have taken 20 and 24 wickets, respectively, and head the averages within a fraction of each other.

FINE AGGREGATE

B. D. Lay, of K.C.C., tops the Junior batting averages but has not played in the last two matches. Fine figures have been returned by Cpl. Webb, who has aggregated no fewer than 273 runs in eight innings.

As in the First Division, Recreio bowlers lead in the bowling, A. V. Gosano being first, followed by R. Soares and G. N. Gosano.

First Division

BATTING
(Qualification—Three innings, average of 20 and over.)

	Inns.	H.S.	Out.	Aggr.	Avg.
J. Barrow	3	34*	2	53	53.00
T. A. Pearce	5	96	1	183	45.75
N. A. E. Mackay	6	47*	2	169	42.25
J. L. C. Pearce	3	41	0	116	38.67
D. J. N. Anderson	6	64	0	225	37.50
Capt. Whitmarsh	4	50*	1	99	33.00
G. C. Burnett	4	32	1	97	32.33
A. H. Madar	8	48*	1	160	32.00
H. Owen Hughes	5	64*	1	126	31.50
M. el Arculli	6	65*	2	104	26.00
A. R. Kitchell	5	60	0	126	25.20
L. G. Gosano	5	51*	1	99	24.75
S. V. Gittins	3	27	1	48	24.00
Lt. Fuller	3	62	0	71	23.67
N. D. Lloyd	3	16	2	23	23.00
L. T. Ride	5	41	0	114	22.80
Major Murray	4	31	0	89	22.25
E. M. L. Soares	5	45	0	108	21.60
Drv. Logan	6	51	0	125	20.83
E. Zimmern	6	46*	2	82	20.50
A. M. Rodrigues	5	52	0	102	20.40

BOWLING
(Qualification—Three matches, average of 15 and under.)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
E. L. Gosano	63.1	20	122	20	6.10
H. L. Ozorio	60.4	17	152	24	6.33
D. J. N. Anderson	24	5	77	10	7.70
G. P. Longfield	29.3	4	97	12	8.08
F. Baker	40	8	89	11	8.09
R. E. Lee	78.4	19	218	24	9.08
A. H. Madar	56.3	12	169	18	9.39
C. P. O. Paxton	33	3	95	10	9.50
G. Soares	16	3	53	5	11.00
J. L. C. Pearce	18	0	90	8	11.25
A. R. Minn	102.2	19	293	26	11.27
Pte. Hatfield	72	15	192	17	11.29
A. K. Ishall	52.5	5	201	17	11.82
N. Whitby	27.2	0	116	9	12.88
A. M. Ramjahn	21	2	95	7	13.57
F. R. Zimmern	54.2	14	138	10	13.80
A. B. Perry	53.5	9	158	11	14.18



Second Division

BATTING
(Qualification—Four innings, average of 20 and over.)

	Inns.	H.S.	Out.	Aggr.	Avg.
B. D. Lay	5	111*	1	190	48.75
C. N. Matthews	6	20*	5	45	45.00
J. Fong	7	51	1	249	41.50
A. K. Sufiad	5	88*	2	120	40.00
J. L. Stephens	7	100*	1	230	38.33
Sto. Brown	5	59*	1	144	36.00
J. Barrow	4	33	1	106	35.33
G. N. Gosano	6	59*	1	176	35.20
B. C. Fay	7	53	1	208	34.67
C. W. E. Bishop	7	81	1	208	34.67
Cpl. Webb	8	73	0	273	34.13
A. E. Noronha	4	33*	2	68	34.00
K. Y. Tam	7	74	0	228	32.57
H. P. Lim	5	37	1	124	31.00
E. J. R. Mitchell	6	27*	3	90	30.00
H. J. Armstrong	6	77	0	176	29.33
Ldg. Tel. Wood	7	37*	3	112	28.00
A. Bakar	6	71*	1	139	27.80
G. A. Goodban	4	32	1	82	27.33
Capt. Carlless	7	57*	2	132	26.40
Lt. Napier	7	67	0	179	25.57
N. P. Fox	6	38	0	151	25.17
S/Sgt. Goodger	4	45	1	70	23.33
H. A. Barros	4	40	1	63	21.00
L/S. Smith	8	44	0	166	20.75
T. H. King	6	48	1	100	20.00

BOWLING
(Qualification—Four matches, average of 15 and under.)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
A. V. Gosano	56.5	17	129	17	7.59
R. Soares	56.4	9	139	18	7.72
G. N. Gosano	40.2	7	120	14	8.57
A. E. Carey	25.5	4	73	8	9.13
Ldg. Tel. Wood	111.5	30	292	30	9.73
G. E. R. Divett	34	6	109	11	9.91
W. L. McKenzie	38.4	4	139	14	9.93
B. C. Fay	76.4	19	190	19	10.00
K. L. Ng	76.4	18	197	19	10.37
B. G. Baker	27	0	104	10	10.40
A. M. Omar	73	23	179	17	10.53
R. A. J. Simpson	45	4	170	15	11.33
C. H. Teoh	64.3	13	224	18	12.44
W. S. Gegg	58	14	153	12	12.75
R. Baldwin	35	1	118	9	13.11
F. A. Curroem	15.5	3	67	5	13.40
W. Stoker	53.2	11	181	13	13.92
G. Hong Choy	32.3	6	128	9	14.22
D. S. Robb	35	3	144	10	14.40
Capt. Carlless	54	10	175	12	14.58
C. Pope	87.4	12	269	18	14.94

KUMAON RIFLES WIN ARMY CROSS COUNTRY RUNS

Though the Army cross-country team championship was won by Kumaon Rifles, Ahmed Khan, of H. K. S. R. A., repeated his (individual) success of last year in winning the cross-country race held yesterday.

Brigadier Reeve, President of the Army Athletic Board, started the runners off from the Polo ground over a 5½ mile course, which was along Boundary Street and through Kowloon Tong to the Rifle Ranges, returning along the foothills to the Polo ground again.

His Excellency Major General A. E. Grassott, G.O.C., distributed the prizes at the conclusion of the race.

The complete results were:

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP
Kumaon Rifles, 227 points.
H.K.S.R.A., 386 points.
Rajputana Rifles, 407 points.
8th Heavy Regt. R.A., 640 points;
5th A.A. Regt. R.A., 688 points; Mid-
dlesex, 722 points; Royal Scots, 753
points, and the Royal Engineers.

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP
Ahmed Khan, H.K.S.R.A. Time: 33
mins. 24 secs.

Sher Singh (12888), Kumaon Rifles.
Sher Singh (18159), Kumaon Rifles.

K.C.C. MIXED DOUBLES FINAL RESULT

N. A. E. Mackay and Mrs. G. E. Taylor (scr.) won the Kowloon Cricket Club Mixed Doubles handicap in the Winter Tournament yesterday when they beat R. T. Broadbridge and Miss B. Barker (—30) 7-5, 8-2 in the final.



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Leicester (2) v Huddersfield (1)
Liverpool (3) v Portsmouth (2)
MANCHESTER U. (-) v Aston Villa (-)
MIDDLESBRO' (1) v Everton (2)
Preston (4) v Derby (1)
Stoke (0) v Sunderland (0)

SECOND DIVISION

Burnley (1) v Bradford (1)
Coventry (3) v Blackburn (2)
Luton (-) v Tranmere (-)
Newcastle (1) v Wednesday (0)
Norwich (2) v West Ham (0)
Notts F. (0) v Fulham (1)
Plymouth (1) v Chesterfield (1)
SHEFFIELD U. (1) v Swansea (1)
SOUTHAMPTON (-) v Millwall (-)
TOTTENHAM (-) v Manchester C. (-)
WEST BROM. (-) v Bury (-)

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth (0) v Northampton (0)
Brighton (1) v Newport (0)
Bristol R. (3) v Clapton (2)

CARDIFF (-) v Port Vale (-)
Exeter (1) v Watford (2)
Ipswich (-) v Swindon (-)
MANSFIELD (2) v Aldershot (0)
QUEEN'S P.R. (0) v Bristol C. (2)
READING (1) v Torquay (1)
SOUTHEND (2) v Crystal P. (2)
Walsall (1) v Notts C. (0)
THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)
Accrington (2) v Darlington (1)
BARNESLEY (-) v Carlisle (-)
BARROW (1) v Rotherham (0)
BRADFORD C. (0) v York (1)
CHESTER (4) v Rochdale (1)
Halifax (1) v SOUTH.

PORT
Wrexham (2)
Gateshead (2)
DONCASTER (2)
CREWE (0)
Hartlepool (-)
STOCKPORT (-) v Hartlepool (-)

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

(FIRST DIVISION)
Ayr (1) v Celtic (1)
CLYDE (5) v Queen's Park (0)
FALKIRK (0) v Hibernian (0)
Hamilton (0) v Aberdeen (1)
HEARTS (0) v Queen O'S. (0)
Motherwell (1) v Partick (1)
Raith (-) v Kilmarnock (-)
RANGERS (-) v Albion (-)
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THIRD
LANARK (1) v Arbroath (1)

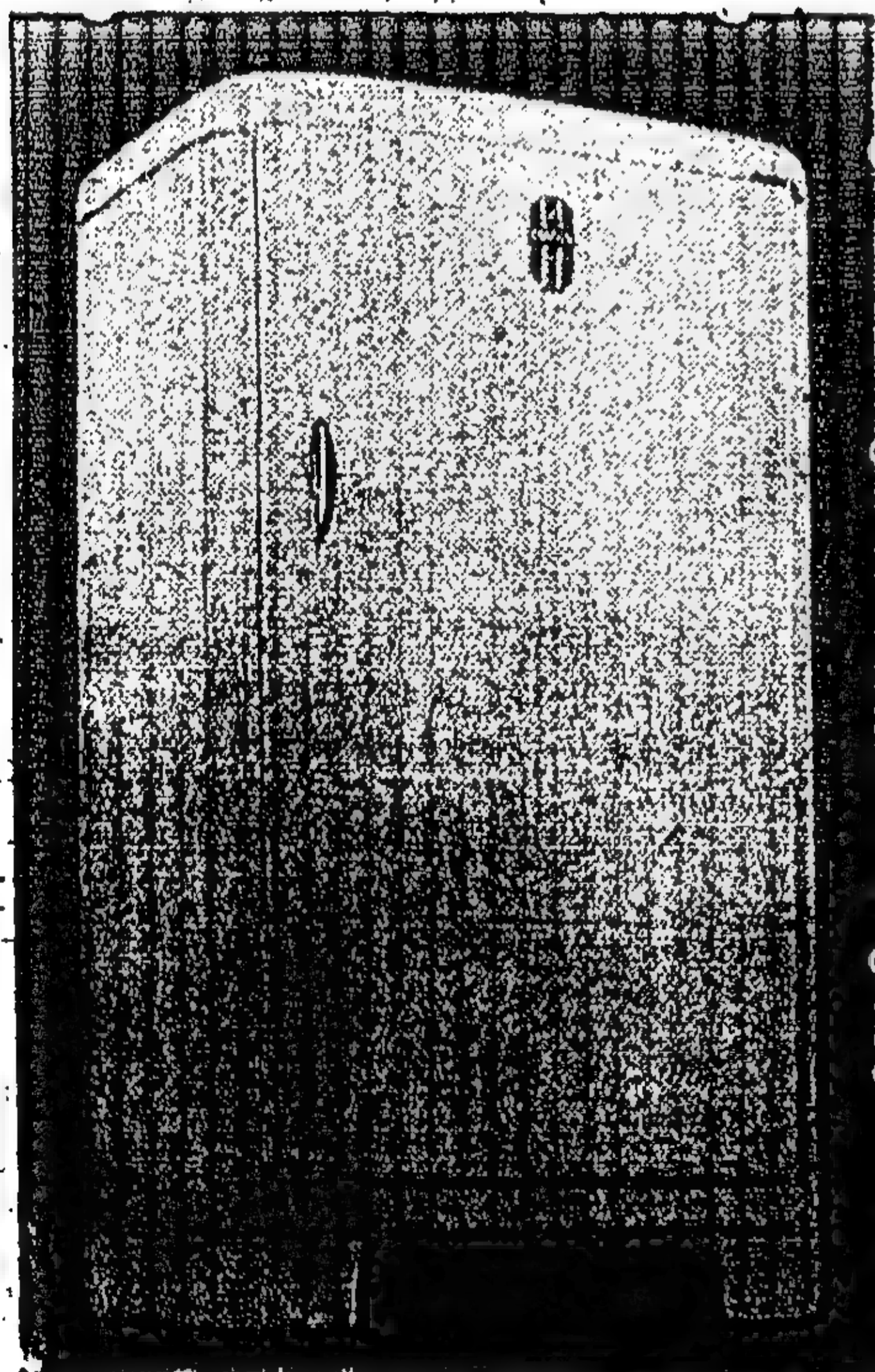
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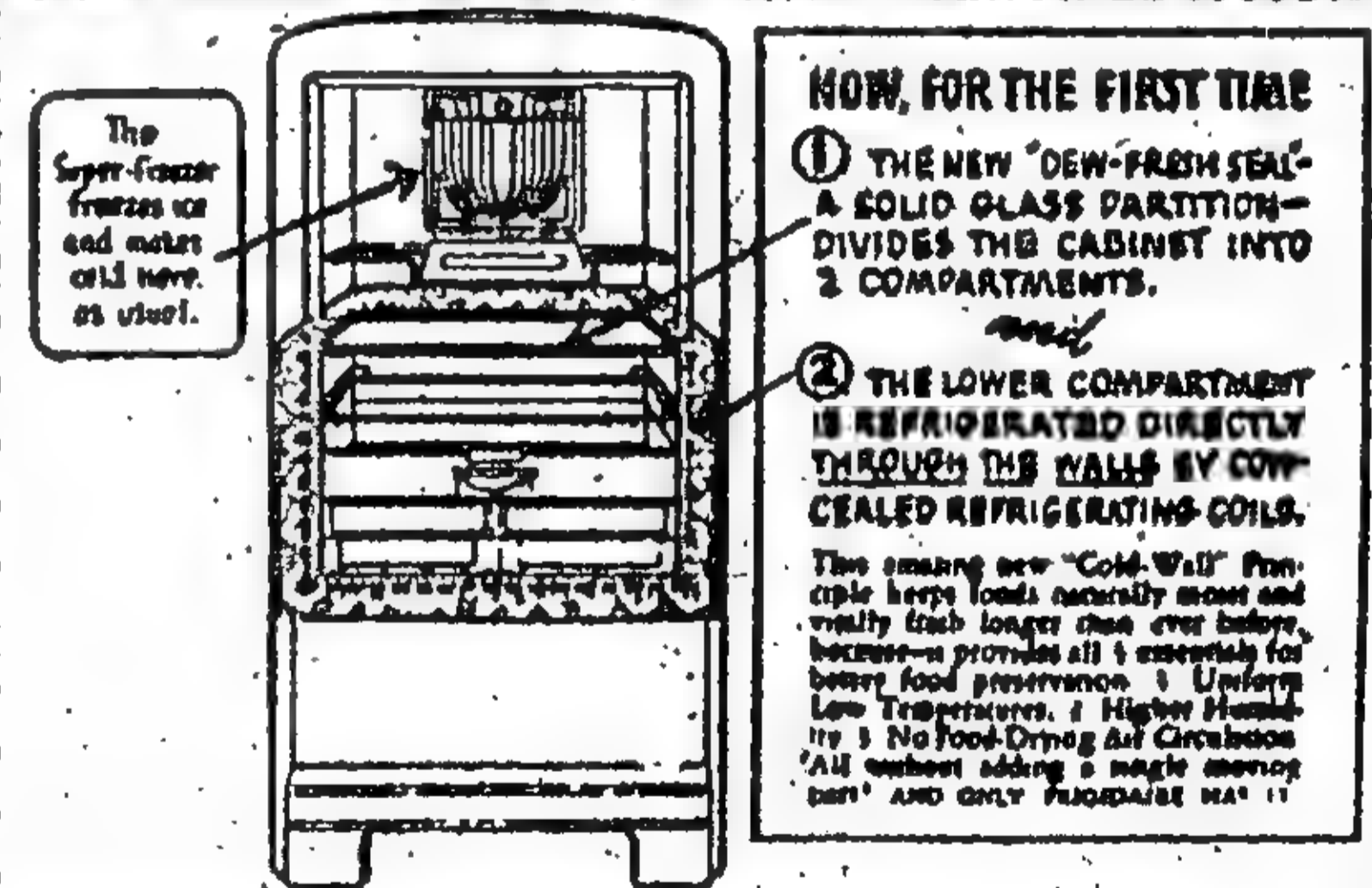
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FIRST DIVISION					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Everton	31	21	2	8	63 87 44
Wolves	31	17	8	6	67 23 42
Derby	32	17	7	9	54 39 39
Middlesbro.	32	14	7	11	66 54 35
Charlton	31	10	6	10	56 46 35
Aston Villa	31	14	6	11	58 43 34
Arsenal	31	12	9	10	38 29 33
Bolton	31	12	9	10	56 46 33
Stoke	32	12	9	11	54 55 33
Grimsby	31	12	8	11	45 51 32
Liverpool	31	11	9	11	47 49 31
Sunderland	30	11	8	11	41 45 30
Brentford	31	12	6	13	45 58 30
Preston	30	10	9	11	42 44 29
Manchester U.	31	9	11	11	47 52 29
Leeds	30	10	2	8	45 55 27
Blackpool	30	8	10	16	44 50 27
Portsmouth	30	8	11	12	29 49 25
Huddersfield	31	10	5	16	42 49 25
Leicester	32	7	10	14	36 62 24
Chelsea	29	9	5	15	48 59 23
Birmingham	31	8	5	18	47 67 21

SECOND DIVISION					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Blackburn	31	18	3	10	75 48 39
Sheffield U.	31	14	11	6	48 34 39
Coventry	30	16	5	9	49 37 37
Newcastle	32	16	5	11	50 35 37
Wednesday	29	16	5	8	68 46 37
West. Brom.	31	15	6	10	74 59 36
Tottenham	31	14	8	9	51 43 36
Fulham	30	14	7	9	48 37 35
Luton	30	15	4	11	60 50 34
Chesterfield	30	14	6	10	50 41 34
Burnley	33	13	8	12	41 40 34
Manchester C.	29	13	4	12	72 61 30
Bury	32	10	10	12	51 51 30
Plymouth	30	12	5	13	42 43 29
West Ham	30	11	7	12	54 43 29
Millwall	30	10	9	11	52 41 29
Bradford	32	10	8	14	52 68 28
Southampton	31	10	7	14	42 56 27
Swansea	30	6	10	14	35 61 22
Notts F.	31	6	8	17	36 71 20
Norwich	29	9	1	19	33 70 19
Tranmere	32	4	5	23	33 82 13

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Newport	32	20	5	7	50 34 45
Reading	32	13	12	7	55 38 38
Brighton	31	15	7	9	63 37 37
Hull	31	15	6	10	71 57 36
Queen's P.R.	30	13	9	8	60 38 35
Notts C.	29	14	5	10	42 32 33
Swindon	30	13	7	10	57 48 33
Watford	31	13	7	11	48 39 33
Cardiff	30	12	8	10	44 43 32

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Aldershot	30	11	10	9	80 40 32
Bristol C.	31	12	8	11	46 46 32
Northampton	31	13	5	13	44 45 31
Southend	27	10	6	11	44 49 26
Exeter	30	10	9	11	51 64 29
Torquay	30	10	7	12	37 47 27
Ipswich	28	8	8	12	35 41 24
Bournemouth	29	8	13	8	82 46 24
Mansfield	31	9	6	14	36 55 24
Port Vale	29	9	5	15	36 44 23
Clapton	29	7	8	14	84 41 22
Bristol R.	30	6	9	15	84 89 21
Walsall	30	6	7	17	35 51 19

THIRD DIVISION (FIRST)					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A. Pts.
Rangers	31	22	6	3	100 46 50
Celtic	30	16	7	7	85 43 39
Hearts	31	17	4	10	88 58 38
Aberdeen	31	16	6	9	78 52 38
Queen O'S.	32	15	7	10	57 52 37
Falkirk	31	15	6	10	61 54 36
Hamilton	32	15	5	13	54 63 34
Motherwell	31	14	5	12	69 64 33
Kilmarnock	31	12	9	10	60 66 33
St. Johnstone	32	14	5	13	65 74 33
Partick	31	13	4	14	57 70 30
Hibernian	31	12	4	15	64 60 31
Ayr	30	13	3	14	62 61 29
Clyde	30	9	8	13	57 67 26
Third Lanark	30	9	7	14	66 77 25
St. Mirren	31	9	6	16	47 63 24
Arbroath	32	8	7	17	44 18 23
Albion	31	9	4	18	53 78 22
Queen's Park	30	8	5	17	46 71 21
Raith	31	9	2	20	57 82 20

Hau Ching-To Omitted From 15 Players For April Manila Interport

MUCH MORE FORMIDABLE TEAM THAN LAST SHOULD BE SELECTED

(By "REFEREE")

HONG Kong Football Association have lost no time in making preparations for their forthcoming visit to the Philippine Islands next month, and from the fifteen players invited to make the trip should be able to field a very formidable team.

As far as I can see the probable Interport lineup, subject to the acceptance of all 15 players, will be:

Tam Kwan-kon; Lee Tin-sang and Sheehan; Freshwater, Courtney and Leung Wing-chiu; Emberson, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, A. V. Gosano and Hunt.

None of the 15 selected players are able to state now whether or not they can make the trip, although it is almost certain that Service members will be granted permission by their respective units.

ABSENTEES

Notable absentees from the 15 names are Hau Ching-to, Honeywill and Dixon, who played on the left-wing, right-half and centre-half, respectively, against the Manila side last month.

Dixon and Honeywill, who are in the Navy, are not likely to be available through ship movements, while Hau Ching-to has made way for Hunt, of the Navy, who is fairly reliable and who possesses a dangerous drive.

The inclusion of Freshwater and Courtney, of Middlesex, and Emberson, of Ordnance Corps, is very significant as all three have performed consistently well recently and during the League season.

DISCOVERED BY ACCIDENT

Emberson was a "discovery" by accident, but his performance for the Association in the final of the Governor's Cup Competition earned him a place among the 15 selected players.

The Colony Selectors would be unwise to break up that fine inside trio of Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong and A. V. Gosano, but at the moment both Lee and "A.V." are not certain whether they can obtain the necessary leave.

The inclusion of Lai Shiu-wing, an inside-left of considerable merit, is significant as he will most probably fill this berth in case Gosano is unable to travel with the team, thereby retaining South China "A's" original inside trio.

Tam Kwan-kon, goalkeeper, and Lee Tin-sang and Sheehan are certainties for the full-back division, but some trouble will have to be taken over the formation of the intermediate line, Leung Wing-chiu, following his grand

display at left-half in the match against Manila, will most probably be retained in this position, while Freshwater, in view of his outstanding League success at right-half, is a likely for this berth. The centre-half berth will require a sound but thrustful pivot and in Courtney, probably one of the best Service allrounders at the moment, I think we have the right man.

INSPIRED GAME

It was probably his inspired game for Rest of the Colony against Manila which caught the selectors' eyes and resulted in Hau Yung-sang being one of the 15 players invited to Manila. This Kwong Wah player, a firm believer in first time methods, was responsible to a great extent for breaking up Manila's dangerous left-wing partnership of Boissierie and Beech.

Hunt has played with much success on the left-wing for the Navy and is a reliable type of winger.

Much of the success of the Colony team will depend, however, on a sound team manager and I hope the Management Committee will give this part of the team their best attention.

The 15 selected players are: Tam Kwan-kon (S. China "B"); Lee Tin-sang, Leung Wing-chiu, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shiu-wing (S. China "A"); Sheehan, Freshwater and Courtney (Middlesex), Emberson (Ordnance Corps), Hunt and Ridley (Royal Navy), E. Strange (Club), Hau Yung-sang (Kwong Wah) and A. V. Gosano (St. Joseph's).

FINAL STAGES OF 7-A-SIDE RUGBY TOURNEY

The following teams will compete in the Seven-a-Side Tournament to-morrow, play commencing at 3 p.m.:

P. and O. Building and Another v. Hong Kong Bank (8 p.m.).
5th. A.A. Regt. "A" v. Small Ships "A" (3.20 p.m.).
R.A.O.C. v. Royal Engineers (3.40 p.m.).
Middlesex "A" v. Hong Kong Police "A" (4.00 p.m.).

The games will be refereed by: Dr. J. A. R. Selby and Surg. Lt. Cmdr. Herron and Nicholson.

Admission to the centre of the Covered Stand will be \$1. Elsewhere in the stands the charge will be 50 cts. Service men in uniform will be admitted at half price.

LATEST CALL OVER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

London, To-day.

The following is the latest call over for the Lincolnshire Handicap—

Domah 19 to 2 t. and o.
Galson 19 to 2 o. 10 to 1 t.
Davy De Little 100 to 6 o.
Bergundian 100 to 6 o.
St. Andrew's 18 to 1 o.
Temeraire 22 to 1 o.
Halcyon Gilt 25 to 1 o.
Dundee 25 to 1 o.—Rafter.

ROTHERHAM'S AWAY WIN OVER HULL

London, To-day.—In a Third Division (North) encounter yesterday, Rotherham beat Hull by two clear goals in an away fixture.

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LEAGUE TABLES & FORM GUIDE

COVERING the last five League matches, this guide to current form in the English and Scottish Football League indicates venue, opponent and result, with the most recent result on the extreme right column. (a18) indicates that the team played away to Team No. 18.

FIRST DIVISION

1 Arsenal	(h21)	2-0	(h 8)	1-0	(a11)	1-2	(a19)	1-2	(h 5)	3-1
2 Aston Villa	(a18)	0-0	(a 6)	4-2	(h15)	2-0	(a14)	1-1	(h 3)	5-1
3 Birmingham	(a19)	0-5	(h 7)	3-4	(a 9)	1-0	(h11)	1-1	(a 2)	1-5
4 Blackpool	(h21)	1-2	(a11)	0-2	(h 9)	2-2	(h16)	3-5	(a20)	1-1
5 Bolton	(h14)	4-0	(a17)	2-1	(a10)	1-2	(h12)	3-2	(a 1)	1-3
6 Brentford	(h 2)	2-4	(a 9)	2-1	(h20)	1-0	(a 8)	3-1	(h 7)	1-0
7 Charlton	(a14)	5-1	(h16)	7-1	(a12)	0-4	(h18)	3-3	(a 6)	0-1
8 Chelsea	(h17)	4-2	(h16)	0-1	(a20)	1-6	(a 1)	0-1	(h 6)	1-3
9 Derby	(h11)	4-1	(a 4)	2-2	(h 6)	1-2	(h 3)	0-1	(a16)	1-1
10 Everton	(h12)	3-2	(a18)	1-0	(a15)	3-0	(h 5)	2-1	(a13)	2-1
11 Grimsby	(a 9)	1-4	(a 6)	2-1	(h17)	0-2	(h 1)	2-1	(a 3)	1-1
12 Huddersfield	(h18)	3-0	(a10)	2-3	(h22)	1-2	(h 7)	4-0	(a 5)	2-3
13 Leeds	(h15)	1-1	(a14)	0-2	(h17)	0-1	(a22)	1-4	(h10)	1-2
14 Leicester	(h13)	2-0	(h 7)	1-5	(a21)	0-2	(h 2)	1-1	(a15)	1-1
15 Liverpool	(a13)	1-1	(h10)	0-3	(a 2)	0-2	(h22)	0-2	(h14)	1-1
16 Manchester U.	(h19)	1-1	(a 7)	1-7	(a 4)	5-3	(h 9)	1-1	(a21)	2-5
17 Middlesbrough	(a 7)	0-3	(h 5)	1-2	(a13)	1-0	(a11)	2-0	(h21)	3-0
18 Portsmouth	(a22)	0-0	(h10)	0-1	(h 2)	0-0	(h19)	0-0	(a 7)	3-3
19 Preston	(a17)	2-2	(h 3)	5-0	(a16)	1-1	(h18)	0-0	(h 1)	2-1
20 Stoke	(a16)	1-0	(h 9)	3-0	(h 8)	6-1	(a 6)	0-1	(h 4)	1-1
21 Sunderland	(h 6)	1-1	(a 1)	0-2	(h14)	2-0	(a17)	0-3	(h16)	5-2
22 Wolves	(h18)	3-0	(a 1)	0-0	(a12)	2-1	(h13)	4-1	(a15)	2-0

SECOND DIVISION

1 Blackburn	(h 8)	6-4	(a 9)	2-3	(h10)	3-1	(h 3)	1-0	(a18)	3-4
2 Bradford	(a20)	0-2	(h 4)	3-2	(h 8)	2-1	(a14)	1-4	(h11)	0-1
3 Barnley	(a 8)	0-1	(h14)	1-0	(a 1)	0-1	(h10)	2-0	(a 4)	0-1
4 Bury	(h17)	4-0	(a 2)	2-3	(h 6)	5-0	(a13)	1-1	(h 3)	1-0
5 Chesterfield	(a22)	1-1	(h10)	3-0	(h21)	3-1	(a12)	0-2	(h 6)	3-0
6 Coventry	(a11)	1-0	(h21)	1-1	(a 4)	0-5	(h20)	1-0	(a 5)	0-3
7 Fulham	(h 9)	2-1	(a10)	1-1	(h18)	1-0	(a16)	1-2	(h14)	1-2
8 Luton	(a15)	2-2	(h 3)	1-0	(a18)	1-0	(a 2)	1-2	(h17)	6-3
9 Manchester C.	(h 1)	3-2	(a 7)	1-2	(h14)	1-3	(a15)	0-1	(h21)	3-3
10 Millwall	(h 1)	1-3	(h 7)	1-1	(h15)	4-0	(a 3)	0-2	(h12)	6-0
11 Newcastle	(h 6)	0-1	(a19)	3-0	(h22)	2-0	(h18)	0-1	(a 2)	1-0
12 Norwich	(h18)	1-2	(a16)	1-3	(a17)	1-0	(h 5)	2-0	(a10)	0-6
13 Notts F.	(h19)	2-2	(h16)	0-2	(a22)	0-5	(h 4)	1-1	(a17)	0-1
14 Plymouth	(h15)	0-1	(a 3)	0-1	(a 9)	3-1	(h 2)	4-1	(a 7)	2-1
15 Sheffield U.	(h 8)	2-2	(a14)	1-0	(a10)	0-4	(h 9)	1-0	(a20)	0-1
16 Southampton	(a13)	2-0	(h12)	3-1	(a20)	0-2	(h 7)	2-1	(a19)	1-1
17 Swansea	(a 4)	0-4	(h22)	3-2	(h12)	0-1	(a 8)	3-6	(h13)	1-0
18 Tottenham	(h 8)	0-1	(a 7)	0-1	(h 1)	4-3	(a11)	1-0	(a22)	2-0
19 Tranmere	(a13)	2-2	(a 5)	0-3	(h11)	0-3	(a21)	0-2	(h16)	1-1
20 Wednesday	(a17)	1-0	(h 2)	2-0	(h16)	2-0	(a 6)	0-1	(h15)	1-0
21 West Brom.	(h16)	2-0	(a 6)	1-1	(a 5)	1-3	(h19)	2-0	(a 9)	3-3
22 West Ham	(h 5)	1-1	(a17)	2-3	(h13)	5-0	(a11)	0-2	(h18)	0-2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

1 Aldershot	(a13)	0-5	(h14)	0-3	(h 3)	1-1	(a17)	0-5	(h21)	3-3
2 Bournemouth	(h 9)	2-0	(a 6)	0-5	(a 4)	0-2	(h22)	1-1	(a14)	1-0
3 Brighton	(h18)	3-0	(a10)	0-0	(a 1)	1-1	(h 8)	0-0	(a13)	4-1
4 Bristol C.	(a12)	2-0	(h13)	0-0	(h 2)	2-0	(a 5)	1-1	(h11)	2-0
5 Bristol R.	(h10)	3-3	(h17)	0-2	(a14)	1-3	(h 4)	1-1	(a12)	0-2
6 Cardiff	(a 3)	2-1	(h 2)	5-0	(a 7)	1-1	(h13)	2-0	(a19)	1-4
7 Clapton	(h 8)	4-0	(a22)	0-1	(h 6)	1-1	(a18)	0-1	(h17)	1-2
8 Crystal P.	(a 7)	0-4	(h12)	1-1	(h21)	4-0	(a 3)	0-0	(h16)	0-1
9 Exeter	(h 3)	2-2	(a 2)	0-2	(a20)	1-0	(h12)	3-1	(a15)	2-3
10 Ipswich	(a 5)	3-3	(h 3)	0-0	(a12)	2-3	(h14)	0-2	(a20)	1-1
11 Mansfield	(h16)	2-2	(a18)	0-2	(a22)	0-2	(h19)	1-1	(a 4)	0-2
12 Newport	(h 4)	0-2	(a 8)	1-1	(h10)	3-2	(a 9)	1-3	(h 5)	2-0
13 Northampton	(h 1)	5-0	(a 4)	0-0	(h17)	1-1	(a 6)	0-2	(h 3)	1-4
14 Notts C.	(a17)	1-3	(a 1)	3-0	(h 5)	3-1	(a10)	2-0	(h 2)	0-1
15 Port Vale	(a19)	1-1	(h20)	0-1	(h16)	1-2	(a21)	0-4	(h 9)	3-2
16 Queen's P.R.	(a11)	2-2	(h19)	2-1	(a15)	2-1	(h20)	1-1	(a 3)	1-0
17 Reading	(h14)	3-1	(h 5)	2-0	(a13)	1-1	(h 1)	5-0	(a 7)	2-1
18 Southend	(a 3)	0-3	(h11)	2-0	(a19)	1-2	(h 7)	1-0	(a22)	0-3
19 Swindon	(h15)	1-1	(a16)	1-2	(h18)	2-1	(a11)	1-1	(h 6)	4-1
20 Torquay	(h22)	2-1	(a15)	1-0	(h 9)	0-1	(a16)	1-1	(h10)	1-1
21 Walsall	(a16)	0-2	(h18)	0-2	(a 8)	0-4	(h15)	4-0	(a 1)	3-3
22 Watford	(a20)	1-2	(h 7)	1-0	(h11)	2-0	(a 2)	1-1	(h13)	3-0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

1 Accrington	(a13)	1-8	(h14)	3-4	(a19)	0-1	(h 7)	2-1	(a 5)	4-6
2 Barnsley	(a 4)	2-0	(h13)	5-1	(a 9)	3-1	(h19)	3-1	(a 7)	0-0
3 Barrow	(a15)	0-2	(h 8)	2-0	(a21)	0-3	(h22)	2-0	(a17)	2-2
4 Bradford C.	(h 2)	0-2	(a16)	1-2	(a12)	3-1	(h10)	1-1	(a21)	1-1
5 Carlisle	(h18)	3-1	(h14)	4-3	(a20)	0-3	(a16)	1-6	(h 1)	6-4
6 Chester	(a11)	1-1	(a10)	0-4	(h21)	4-2	(h 5)	0-1	(a22)	2-2
7 Crewe	(a19)	2-1	(h 9)	1-2	(h20)	2-1	(a 1)	1-2	(h 2)	0-0
8 Darlington	(h17)	1-2	(a 3)	0-2	(h13)	0-1	(a14)	0-3	(h20)	4-3
9 Doncaster	(h 5)	1-0	(a 7)	2-1	(h 2)	1-3	(a16)	0-0	(h11)	0-0
10 Gateshead	(a22)	1-1	(h21)	5-1	(h 6)	3-0	(a 4)	1-1	(h13)	2-2
11 Halifax	(a 3)	0-0	(h 6)	1-1	(a17)	5-4	(h18)	1-1	(a 9)	0-0
12 Hartlepool	(a17)	4-3	(h22)	3-2	(h 4)	1-3	(a13)	1-4	(h14)	2-1
13 Hull	(h 1)	0-1	(a 2)	1-5	(h 8)	1-0	(h12)	4-1	(a10)	2-2
14 Lincoln	(h20)	3-2	(a 1)	4-3	(a 5)	3-4	(h 8)	3-1	(a18)	0-0
15 New Brighton	(h21)	2-3	(h 3)	2-0	(a22)	0-2	(h17)	3-1	(a11)	0-0
16 Oldham	(a 6)	2-4	(h 4)	2-1	(a18)	1-3	(h 9)	0-0	(a19)	0-0
17 Rochdale	(h12)	3-4	(a 8)	2-1	(h11)	4-5	(a15)	1-3	(h 3)	2-2
18 Rotherham	(h 8)	3-3	(a 5)	1-3	(h16)	3-1	(a11)	1-1	(h15)	0-0
19 Southport	(h 7)	1-2	(a20)	1-3	(h 1)	1-0	(a 2)	1-3	(h18)	0-0
20 Stockport	(a14)	2-3	(h19)	3-1	(a 7)	1-2	(h 5)	8-0	(a 8)	3-4
21 Wrexham	(a15)	3-2	(a10)	1-5	(h 3)	3-0	(a 6)	2-4	(h 4)	1-1
22 York	(h10)	1-1	(a12)	2-3	(h15)	2-0	(a 3)	0-2	(h 6)	2-2

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

1 Aberdeen	(h10)	6-1	(a 7)	3-1	(h19)	3-2	(a18)	0-1	(h 9)	4-3
2 Albion	(a 5)	1-4	(h20)	2-4	(a10)	2-1	(a15)	2-1	(h 8)	5-0
3 Arbroath	(a16)	3-1	(a18)	3-4	(h11)	4-1	(h12)	2-0	(h 7)	1-2
4 Ayr	(h15)	2-0	(a11)	2-2	(h 3)	1-1	(a10)	3-2	(a13)	3-2
5 Celtic	(a16)	0-4	(h 2)	4-1	(a14)	1-1	(h 6)	3-1	(h13)	3-1
6 Clyde	(h18)	3-1	(a 3)	0-3	(h12)	4-0	(a 5)	1-3	(a14)	2-3
7 Falkirk	(h 1)	1-3	(a17)	1-2	(h14)	2-1	(h18)	1-1	(a 8)	2-1
8 Hamilton	(h13)	4-0	(a 4)	1-1	(a14)	0-3	(h16)	1-3	(a 2)	0-5
9 Hearts	(a19)	1-1	(h18)	3-2	(a12)	2-4	(a 1)	3-4	(h15)	3-3
10 Hibernian	(a 1)	1-3	(h17)	1-1	(a15)	2-3	(h 2)	1-2	(h 4)	2-3
11 Kilmarnock	(h20)	5-2	(h 4)	2-2	(a 8)	1-3	(a13)	3-4	(a17)	2-2
12 Motherwell	(a15)	0-0	(h16)	2-4	(a 6)	0-4	(h 9)	4-2	(a 3)	0-2
13 Partick	(a 8)	0-4	(h15)	2-2	(h11)	4-3	(a 5)	1-3	(h 4)	2-3
14 Queen O'S.	(a13)	0-3	(h 5)	1-1	(a 7)	1-2	(h 8)	3-0	(h 6)	3-2
15 Rangers	(a 4)	0-2	(h10)	3-2	(a13)	2-2	(h 2)	1-2	(a 9)	3-3
16 Raith	(a12)	4-2	(h 3)	1-3	(a19)	3-1	(a 8)	3-1	(h17)	0-2
17 St. Johnstone	(a10)	1-1	(h 7)	2-1	(h20)	2-1	(h11)	2-2	(a16)	2-0
18 St. Mirren	(h14)	3-0	(a 9)	2-3	(h 3)	4-3	(h 1)	1-0	(a 7)	1-1
19 Third Lanark	(a11)	2-0	(h14)	0-1	(a 2)	4-2	(h17)	1-2	(a19)	2-3

(Mid-week games not included.)

Huddersfield Beat Blackburn

London, To-day.

Huddersfield entered the semi-final round of the F.A. Cup Competition for the second consecutive season yesterday when they defeated Blackburn by 2 goals to 1 away from home in their replayed Sixth Round tie. Last Saturday they shared two goals at Leeds Road.

Huddersfield have been drawn against Portsmouth in the semi-final round, the match to be played on Arsenal's ground at Highbury on March 25.

The other semi-final round tie is between Wolves and Grimsby, which will be held on the Manchester United ground on the same date.—Reuter.

CZECHS WIN TABLE TENNIS INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Cairo, To-day.

Czecho-Slovakia have won the Swaythling Cup for Men's International Table Tennis teams, remaining undefeated.

Yugoslavia were second with one defeat and England third with two defeats.

Eleven teams competed, these being England, France, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Greece, India, Palestine, Lithuania, Czecho-Slovakia, Egypt and Luxemburg.

Hungary, winners of the 1938 title, did not compete.—Reuter.

CROSS KEYS RUGBY VICTORY

London, To-day.

Cross Keys yesterday beat Newport by 9 points to three in their friendly Rugby encounter.—Reuter.

Stay Down

By BEST BALL

One of the easiest ways to dub a shot is to raise one's body as the stroke is underway. The player may not be aware of this fault, oftentimes he figures he is putting more power into the shot but all unconsciously while he is doing so, he may be rising up on his toes as the impact point is reached. This movement in turn raises the shoulders higher and consequently the effect on the arms and clubhead is similar. Result: a topped ball.

Then again the golfer who tries to stoop the ball up is often guilty of the opposite fault: that of lowering his body so that the clubhead strikes the turf in front of the ball. The golfer who can keep his stance in the same position throughout the stroke is the player who is likely to have the most consistent game. Only by adhering to this fundamental can one gain a grooved stroke. Keep

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1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Stan Holloway, Vivian Ellis, and Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Brahms—Concerto in D Major, Op. 77, Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
6.44 p.m.—(a) It's Wonderful; (b) Oh! Boom; (c) Good-night Angel; (d) John Peel Swing.
7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m.—Greta Keller, Charlie Kunz, Frank Crumit, Turner Layton and Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra.
"Follow The Fleet"—Selection (Irving Berlin)... Anton & The Pa-

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Kunz Revivals No. 3: Intro: Poor Butterfly; After you've gone; Whispering; Alice Blue Gown; Just a little love a little kiss; The Chocolate Soldier Waltz... Charlie Kunz (Piano).
The Return Of Abdul Abulbul Amir (Crumit); I'm Bettin' The Roll On Roamer (Curtis & Crumit)... Frank Crumit (Tenor) with Orch.
Bell Medley: Intro: Fire Bell (Kempinski); Legend of the Bells (Planquette); The Bells of St. Mary's (Adams)... Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington at the Organ.
A Little Ramble In Springtime with You (Rotter, Jurman, Sarony);

Trust In Me (Waver, Schwartz, Agor)... Greta Keller (Vocal) with Fred Hartley & His Quintet.
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R. 11. Intro: I'll See you Again; The Desert Song; My Hero; The Merry Widow; Love will find a way; The Blue Danube... Charlie Kunz (Piano).
"The Hit Parade" Selection; Wake Up And Live" Selection... Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington at the Organ.
I'm A Fool For Loving You (Lewis & Wendling); Au Revoir (Gilbert)... Turner Layton (Vocal) at the Piano.
Ray Noble Medley: Intro: Brighter than the sun; If you'll say 'yes' Cherie; Love is the sweetest thing; By the Fireside; What more can I ask; Why stars come out at night; The very thought of you; Goodnight, sweetheart... Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Reginald Foort at the Organ.

(Baritone).
Had A Horse ('Hungarian Folk Songs'—Korhay); Shopper, See Thy Horse's Foaming Mane ('Hungarian Folk Song'—Korhay)... with Piano accomp. by Gerald Moore.
Wings (film 'Mayfair Melody')... with Orchestra & Chorus.

10 p.m.—London Relay—Sandy Macpherson at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.

10.15 p.m.—New Dance Music & Variety.

Dance Orch.—Somebody Stole My Gal—Quickstep; Ain't She Sweet? Fox-Trot... Brian Lawrence & His Quartet with Vocal Chorus.
Instrumental—Lady Of Madrid (Hargreaves-Damerell)... Joe Green (Octarimba) and Milt Herth (Organ).

Instrumental—Xylophonia... Joe Green (Xylophone) and Milt Herth (Organ).

Comedians—The Lady And The Bottle; At The Zoo... Brad and Al with Piano Accomp.

Dance Orch.—Where The Shannon Flows Down To The Sea—Waltz; The Umbrella Man—Waltz (from 'These foolish things')... Billy Cotton & His Band with Vocal Chorus.

Vocal & Piano—You Belong To Dreamland (Gilroy); Let Me Whisper (Rosell & Heyman)... Turner Layton.

Instrumental—This Is The Day Of Days (Dixon & Woods); Just A Crazy Song (Smith & Williams)... Eddie Peabody playing his Banjo, Guitar, Mandoline and Mando-Cello (With Own Vocal Chorus). With Piano.

Dance Orch.—When A Gipsy Played Tango; Tango Marina... Emil Roosz & His Orchestra.

Dance Orch.—Mammy's Lullaby—Waltz... The Green Brothers' Marimba Band with Vocal by Donald King.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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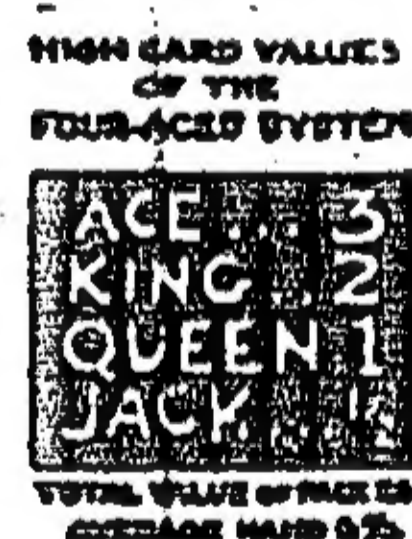
FINE BIDDING

West, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ Q 8 7 4
♥ 5
♦ 8 2
♣ K Q J 10 7 2
♠ A K 10 9 8
♥ Q J 8 4
♦ K 10 9 7
♣ 6 5 2
♠ A K 10 9 8 3
♥ 7 3
♦ A 9 8 5 6
♣ —

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
3♥	3♠	3♥	3♠
4♥	4♠	5♥	5♠
5♠	Pass	6♥	6♠
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass



Yesterday we gave Charles Lochridge of New York the palm for the best played hand of this new year. To-day we present the best bid hand of the year, bid by Herbert Fried of Chicago and Jack Simon of St. Louis at the Westwood Club in St. Louis on New Year's Day.

The opening bid of two hearts might be described as a "New Year's two-bid." While Mr. Simon's overall was not particularly good, he had 100 honours as insurance. East's raise to three hearts was sound. And now, Mr. Fried looked things over and tried to reconstruct the hand. Naturally there weren't enough cards out against him to justify the bidding, so he knew the opening two-bid must have been shaded because of extraordinary freak distribution. Hence, Mr. Fried realised that if he started to show his great strength by jumping, the opponents would undoubtedly continue indefinitely in hearts and not give him a chance to play a contract of his own. Accordingly, Mr. Fried simply bid three spades. His partner's raise to four spades now convinced him

of one thing — that he held no more than one heart. Hence, he was now certain that six spades was cold. Nevertheless he wisely continued to restrain himself and merely bid five spades over East's five hearts.

The Fabian tactics worked. West doubled at five, but East nevertheless went to six hearts, whereupon Mr. Fried continued to six spades. West doubled again. This time East left it in and, as foreseen, the contract was a lay-down. Incidentally, seven hearts could have been set only two tricks.

Yesterday you were David Burnstone's partner and held:

♠ Q x x x x
♥ x
♦ A x x x
♣ x x

The bidding:

Burnstone	Schenker	You	Maier
1♠	2♥	3♠	3♥
4♠	5♥	(?)	

ANSWER: You should bid five spades. You have a super-sound raise with tremendous distributional support for your partner. You surely cannot hurt the opponents at five hearts and should have a very good play for five spades. Score 100% for five spades, 75% for pass (your partner will almost surely take action), 0 for double (there is no justification for this bid).

QUESTION NO. 44

North (dummy) holds:

♠ K 10 x x
♥ A J x x
♦ x
♣ A 10 9 x

You (South) are Declarer at three notrump and hold:

♠ Q x x
♥ K x x
♦ A F Q x x x
♣ x x

The opening lead is the three of hearts. What card do you play from dummy? (Answer tomorrow.)

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What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S — "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" — Kate Douglas Wiggin's story brought up-to-date for Shirley with a streamlined radio station on the farm and the best cast ever seen in a Temple picture. Starring Shirley Temple, with Randolph Scott, Gloria Stuart, Jack Haley, Slim Summerville, Bill Robinson, Phyllis Brooks, Helen Westley, Alan Dinehart, J. Edward Bromberg and the Raymond Scott Quintet.

AT THE ORIENTAL — "The Last Gangster" — Starring Edward G. Robinson in a dynamic new drama of a criminal's regeneration, returning to the type of role which first won him renown as one of the screen's greatest character stars. The cast includes Rose Stradner, James Stewart, Lionel Stander, Douglas Scott and John Carradine.

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mann, Joseph Schildkraut and Lionel Atwill.

AT THE ALHAMBRA — "The Law West of Tombstone" — with Harry Carey, Tim Holt, Jean Rupperol and Clarence Kolb. Revealing a new side of the life in the Old West, the picture presents Harry Carey as the Texan who seeks to establish himself as a well meaning dictator of half a state.

AT THE QUEEN'S — "Partners in Crime" — with Lynne Overman, Roscoe Karns and Muriel Hutchison. A laugh filled comedy of the troubles when a reporter and a detective are sent to clean up a town. In the excitement of their political campaign the pair are caught in many awkward situations.

AT THE MAJESTIC — "The Lone Wolf in Paris" — One of those ever popular mythical kingdom romances, with the Lone Wolf exercising his talents as a jewel thief to save the throne. Starring Francis Lederer, Frances Drake, Walter Kingsford, Albert von Deker, Leona Manicle and Maurice Cass. Reviewed elsewhere.



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THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 4th March, 1939.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March 1939, both days inclusive.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th. to 27th. March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 13th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 437, Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 437, Tung Ma Road, Tai Kok Tsui.		N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	about		
			As per sale plan	5,184	96	15,552

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 13th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mount Cameron Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	South of Rural Building Lot No. 285, Mount Cameron Road.		N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	about		
			As per sale plan	12,400	200	3,008

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 13th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tin Hau Temple Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Inland Lot No. 438, Adjoining Inland Lot No. 437, Tin Hau Temple Road.		N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	about		
			As per sale plan	6,100	112	6,100

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 13th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at North Point, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Inland Lot No. 1549, Adjoining Inland Lot No. 1548, North Point.		N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	about		
			As per sale plan	6,400	112	6,400

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H.M.S. ROBIN WINS TROPHY

Canton, To-day.

Although the smallest unit of the British West River fleet, H.M.S. Robin has won the Shameen Football League after an interesting season.

H.M.S. Tarantula, favourites for the championship, throw away chances when they allowed the lowly-placed H.M.S. Cicada XI to hold them to a 3-3 draw in a spirited match at the week-end.

For the first time in years, Shameen finished well-up, taking third place, after H.M.S. Robin and H.M.S. Tarantula. Other participants were H.M.S. Cicada, H.M.S. Seamount, H.M.S. Moth, the French gunboat Argus and the American gunboat Mindanao.

MINDANAO'S CHANCE

Majority of the Mindanao team were newcomers to the game and of course could not hold their own against their more experienced opponents.

With Shameen, however, hard hit by the Softball craze, they are coming into their own and have piled up cricket scores in several practice games against Shameen and others.

It is hoped to run a Softball League after the Football Shields are concluded. — Reuter.

NATIONAL SERVICE REGISTRATIONS

London, To-day.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons, the Minister of Labour, Mr. Ernest Brown, declared that 480,000 registrations had been recorded as result of the voluntary service campaign.

Another question concerning the present stage of evacuation measures for children in case of war, was answered by the Minister of Health, Mr. Walter Elliot, who stated that the numbers of country offers received exceeded the number of lodgings required for children. —Trans-Ocean.

LISTER BANNED IN PARIS

Paris, To-day.

The Ministry of Interior has refused to grant permission to stay in Paris to Colonel Lister, or to Passonaria, according to an announcement made yesterday afternoon.

The Cabinet will decide on Friday whether Negrin and del Vayo will be permitted to stay in France. —Trans-Ocean.

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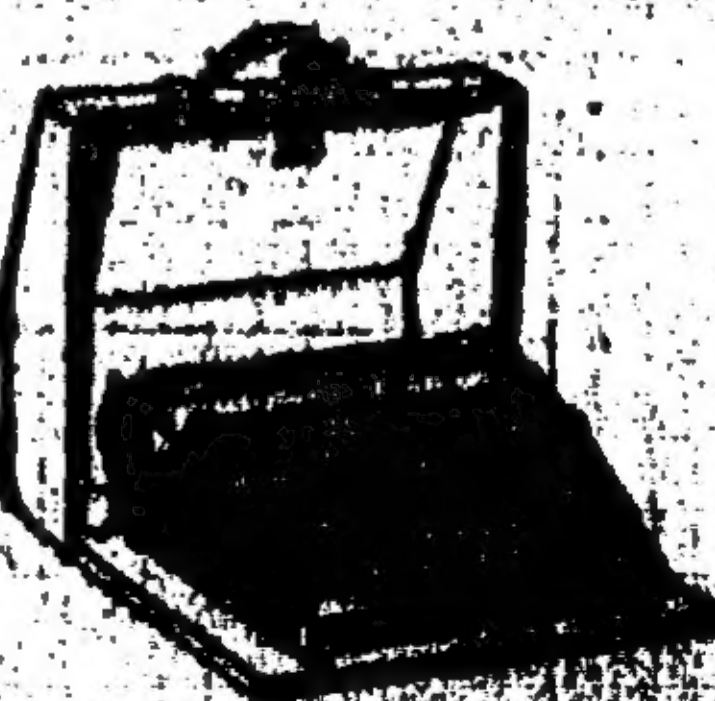
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